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24th Dec	PERSIA	7951		
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1905.				
7th Jan.	ARABIA	7903		
14th "	ARCADIA	6803	VICTORIA	6986
21st "	ORIENTAL	5294		
28th "	CALEDONIA	7558	HIMALAYA	8093
4th Feb.	EGYPT	7912		
11th "	ARCADIA	6803	INDIA	7911
18th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
25th "	PERSIA	7951	BRITANNIA	6985
4th Mar.	MACEDONIA	10512		
11th "	ARCADIA	6803	MONGOLIA	9505
18th "	ARABIA	7903		
25th "	PENINSULAR	5294	OCEANA	6819
1st April	PERSIA	7951		
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15th "	EGYPT	7914		
22nd "	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
29th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
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A. MUIRHEAD,
General Traffic Manager.

General Traffic Manager's Office Bombay 21st December 1904.

THE INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS.

INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION, BOMBAY 1904.

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Full particulars of the concession allowed over other Railways can be obtained at stations or from the undersigned.

A. MUIRHEAD,
General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 24th November, 1904.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

NOTICE.

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A. MUIRHEAD,
General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 24th November, 1904.

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

NOTICE TO INTENDING PASSENGERS.

WITH a view to enable the Railway Company to provide adequate accommodation to meet the heavy passenger Traffic from BOMBAY by the MAIL TRAINS during the CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS, intending FIRST and SECOND CLASS PASSENGERS are requested to either book their seats beforehand at the COLABA, CHURCH GATE or GRANT ROAD STATIONS or to notify their intention to travel to the Traffic Superintendent, General Offices, Bombay.

It may be necessary, as in previous years, to run an additional Mail train on FRIDAY, the 23rd December, leaving COLABA at 9-20 p.m., Bombay time.

C. CROMMELIN,
General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, 6th December 1904.

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1st. To receive and adopt the Audited Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st August 1904.
2nd. To declare a dividend.
3rd. To appoint a Director in the room of one retiring by rotation but who is eligible for re-election.
4th. To appoint an Auditor for the current year and to fix his remuneration.

By order of the Board of Directors,
For and on behalf of
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Two of the Receivers appointed by the High Court in Suit No. 67 of 1904,
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Bombay, 8th December, 1904.

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LONDON, DEC. 20.

SECURITIES—			
2½ per cent. Consols	£33 3-16	=	unchanged
3 do. Rentes	£97 1-2 ex	=	do
3½ do. Indian Sterling Loan	£105 1-4	=	do
3½ per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	£85 11-16	=	do
SILVER—			
Spot in London	28 1-8	=	— 1-8
2 months hence	27 9-16	=	— 1-8
Spot in New York	61	=	— 1-4
EXCHANGES—			
Paris cheques	25"15 1-2	=	+ 1-2
Berlin	20"37 1-4	=	+ 1-2
New York Demand	4"57 3-8	=	— 1-8
DISCOUNTS—			
Bank of England	3 per cent	=	unchanged
6 months' sight Bank Bills	2 7-8 per cent	=	do
6 " " "	2 7-8 per cent	=	do
6 " " Fine Trade Bills	3 1-4 per cent	=	do
6 months' sight Fine Trade Bills	3 3-8 per cent	=	do
INTEREST—			
Day to day loans	2 5-8 per cent	=	+ 1-8
7 day market loans	2 7-8 per cent	=	+ 1-8

Extra Council Bills allotments transfers on Bombay Rs. 160,000 at 1s. 4 1-8d.

SUGAR—
German granulated 1st marks 15 7-8, N.-D., buyers firm.

BURMESE—
Para Rubber 5/2 1-2 buyers.

RAPESEED—
Yellow Guzerat 31 3-4 D-J., sellers dull.

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York, 8 7-8

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed quiet. East Indian quiet, Manchester quiet. Total sales 5,000. Spot 4"13—14. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 7 9-16—1-16. Sold on speculation and for Export 700. Imports 24,000. Futures closed steady.

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb	
4-02 —9	4"05 —9	
Feb.-Mch.	Mch-Apl.	Apl.-May.
4"09 —9	4"13 —9	4"16 —9
May-June	June-July	July-Aug.
4"18 —9	4 22 —9	4"24 —9
	Aug.-Sept.	
	4"24 —9	

Receipts at U S Ports	67,000
Do. last year	74,000
Exports to Great Britain	26,000
Do. do Continent	10,000
In New York—	
Spot	7"70 —20
Futures, month of December	7"16 —24
Do. do. March	7"39 —22
In New Orleans—	
Spot	7 5-16 — 5-16
Futures, month of March	7"28 — 24
Do. do. June	7"45 — 25
Tone at close	steady.

Quotations for East Indian cotton are reduced 1-8d all round with the exception of Bengals which are reduced 1-16d.

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay, for the 24 hours ending at 6 p. m., on Tuesday, 20th December, 1904 :—

Cotton	18,993 bales.
Wheat	51,834 cwts.
Linseed	11,332 ,,
Rape, Rai and Mustard	4,824 ,,
Gingelly seed	30,392 ,,
Poppyseed	4 ,,
Groundnuts	629 ,,
Castorseed	667 ,,
Rice	43,800 ,,
Myrabolams	4,654 ,,
Cottonseed	38,397 ,,
Mowrasseed	1,218 ,,
Gram	4,479 ,,
Joowar	11,621 ,,
Maize	366 ,,

BOMBAY, DEC. 21.

Exchange—Tone quiet but steady.

Bank T. T.			1s 4 1-16d.	
Bank Demand			1s. 4 3-32d.	
Credit Bills 3 Months' Sight D. A.			1s. 4 9-32d.	
Do	6	do	do	1s. 4 13-32d.
French Francs	3	do	do	170 3-4
Marks	3	do	do	138 1-2
Hongkong	30	Days' Sight		136 1-2
Shanghai	30	do	do	193
Japan	30	do	do	148 nom.

GOVERNMENT PAPER—3 1-2 per cent. Tone quiet.

Cash	98'2
1st Settlement 5th January	98'0
2nd do	

Money Market.—Tone easy.

BANK RATE.—

Bank of England since	21st	April	3 per cent.
Bank of Bombay do	20th	October	5 do
Bank of Bengal do	10th	November	6 do
Bank of Madras do	6th	July	4 do

SEEDS—

	Rs. a. p.		
Linseed.—Tone quiet.			
Ready	5 9	5 9	6
Rapeseed.—Tone quiet.			
Brown Cawnpore, Ready.	5 3-0		
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready	5 13		
Yellow Guzerat, Ready	5 13 14		
Poppyseed.—Tone steady.			
Ready	5 10 0		
Castorseed—Tone quiet.			
Ready	Rs. 25 1-4 to 1-2		

GINGELLYSEED.—Tone firm.

Howree Khandeish	Rs. 36 1-2
15 per cent Mixed	Rs. 36 to 36 1-4
25 per cent ,,	Rs. 35 1-4
50 per cent ,,	Rs. 34 to 34 1-2
Black Kutnee	Rs. 32

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone—	easier.
Estimated sales bales	6,000
Imports do.	37,000

Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.
3"97 —5	3"99 —6	4"01 —5
Mar.-April	April.-May	May-June.
4 03 —5	4"11 —5	4"14 —5
June-July	July.-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.
4"17 —5	4"19 —5	4"19 —5

COTTON.—The market at home continues to decline, and prices here are slowly following. The inquiry at Colaba was very limited as buyers are scarce.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

Bengal (H.-G.) (Ry. terms)	175	165	...	25 Dec.
Bengal (H.G.) (Ry. terms)	172	162	...	25 Jan.
Oomravatee description (M.G.)	181	175	...	25 do
Khandeish (M.-G.)	...	...	178 172	25 Dec.
Do. do.	...	...	175 169	25 Jan.
Khangaum fair staple (M-G) Karanja do. do. do.	183	177	...	do. do.
Akola do. do. do.				
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M-G)	185	179	...	25 Dec.
Do.	187	181	...	25 Jan.
Broach (M.-G.) ...	215	...	205	15/25 Mar.
Jalgaon (M. G.) ...	...	180	174	25 Dec.
Do. (M.-G.) ...	...	177	171	25 Jan.
Bengal (M. G.)	183	173	...	25 Dec.
Do.	175	165	...	25 Jan.
Sind-Punjab	183	173	...	25 Dec.
Do.	175	165	...	25 Jan.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS and MEMORIAM Notices (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender) is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional lines CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS

MACKENZIE—December 1, at Bangalore the wife of J. P. Mackenzie of a daughter.

NEWELL—December 17, at 53 Camac Street, Calcutta, the wife of A. G. Newell, M D, DPH, practising Physician, of a son.

WILLIAMS—December 17, at 3 Riverside, Barrackpore, to Mr and Mrs S C Williams a son.

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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 29m. Sun sets, 5h. 28m. High water, 10-33m., 11-33a. Low water, 4-52m., 4-41a.
Sind and Punjab Cotton Press Company, 3 Tamarind Lane, 3 p. m.
Sale of Lord Reay Mills, Messrs. Sorabjee Cowasjee and Co.'s auction rooms, Medows Street.
University Examination Results—Matriculation Examination.
Bombay Natural History Society, 5-15 p.m.
Chatre's Indian Circus, Esplanade, 9 p.m.
Bombay Industrial Exhibition, 3 to 11 p. m.

CALENDARS.—We have received the "Kaiser-i-Hind" Calendar. It is neatly printed in colours and contains portraits of their Excellencies Lord and Lady Lamington.

FIRE IN A MILL.—A fire broke out in the blow room of the Elphinstone Mill, opposite the Elphinstone Road Station, on Tuesday, and was speedily put out by means of the mill fire appliances. The outbreak was caused by friction. The damage done to the cotton by fire and water is estimated at Rs. 1,000. The Chinchpoogley fire engine came on the scene, but did not work.

POSTAL NOTICES.—Mails for the Straits Settlements, China, Japan per s. s. Mazagon will be closed at the General Post Office at 7 p. m. to-day. —Mails for Natal, Cape Colony, Delagoa Bay and other pipces in South Africa per extra s. s. Congella via Tuticorin and Colombo will be closed at the General Post Office at 7 p. m. to-morrow. A supplement mail will also be closed at 7 a. m. on Saturday the 24th instant.

MUSIC AT THE ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB—The following programme will be played to-day at 6-45 p. m. by Band of the 2nd Bn. A. P. W. O. Yorkshire Regt :—

Grand March	Jolanthe The Scots
Overture	Die Zauberflote
Selection	The Earl and the Girl
Lied	Duet
Valse	Hogbau Tanzo
Reminiscences of Sullivan	

	Sullivan
	Mozart
	Caryll
	Ulrich
	Fetras
	Winterbotam

MESSRS. PHILLIPS AND CO.'S CHRISTMAS DISPLAY.—Among the principal establishments well worth a visit at this festive season is that of Messrs. Phillips and Co., Ld., Oriental Buildings. They make a splendid display of new stocks of fancy and hardware goods, photo frames, toys, dolls, sweets, nuts of various kinds, crackers, Chinese lanterns, Christmas cards, Murcatel raisins, figs, White's celebrated Christmas hems, bacon, cheese, etc. The firm has a well filled stock of all articles in requisition at the Christmas season.

BOMBAY NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY.—A meeting of the members will be held this afternoon, at the Society's rooms at 6 Apollo Street, at 5-15 p.m. when the following papers will be read.—(1) Shellfish and their shapes by E. Comber F. Z. S. (2) Description of two new Snakes from Upper Burma, by G. A Boulenger F.R.S., V.P.Z.S. (3) Do while animals ever die of intestinal obstruction by Col W. B. Bannerman, I.M.S, (4) Melanism in Black-Buck, by Major J. Manners Smith. (5) On fishes from the Persian Gulf the Sea of Oman and Karachi, collected by Mr F. W. Townsend by C. Tate Regan, B.A.

MUSIC AT APOLLO BUNDER.—By kind permission of the Officer Commanding, the Band of the 113th Infantry will play the following programme of music to-day at Green's Apollo Bunder Restaurant;—

March	Under the Banner of Victory
Overture	Tancrede
Valse	Angelo Mio
Selection	Mikado
Gavotte	Wilkommien
Song	The Last Chord
Valse	Espana
Polonaise	Der Fackelzug

	Fron Bion
	Rossini
	Sullivan
	Kluss
	Sullivan
	Waldenfel
	Faust

BAND AT THE ESPLANADE.—By kind permission of Lieut. Colonel S. J. Sarjant and officers 1st Battalion, the G. I. P. Ry. Vol. Band will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, Band Master commencing at 5-45 p. m. to-day :—

Polonaise	Der Fackelzug
Overture	Die Irrfahrt Una's Gluck
Serenata	Love In Idleness
Selection	The Orchid
Valse	Dolores
Characteristic Piece	The Virginia Skedaddle

	Faust
	Suppe
	Macbeth
	Ivan Caryll
	Waldteufel
	Rosinfeld

LOITERING IN A CEMETERY.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. J. W. S. Dracup, Raghoo Mahipati, a Hindu, having one previous conviction against him, was charged with trespassing in the Sewree Cemetery. The evidence showed that the accused was found loitering in the Sewree Cemetery at 8 o'clock on Tuesday evening. Being questioned by a Malee as to the reason of his being present there, he gave no satisfactory explanation and was handed over to the police. The accused in the statement before the Magistrate stated that he went there to get leaves of a particular plant. He however admitted one previous conviction. He was sentenced to two months' rigorous imprisonment.

USING FALSE WEIGHT.—Before Mr. P. H. Dastur, at the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, Sub-Inspector Sykes charged Sukhlal Rugnath, a sweet-meat seller of Grant Road, with using false weights. Mr. Ashbury, pleader, defended the accused. The evidence showed that on the 20th November last, the accused sold half a pound of sweets to a witness, who examined the weight and found it to be deficient. He reported the matter to the police who took possession of the weight and sent it to the Superintendent of the Market, for examination. The latter tested the weight and found it deficient by one tola and one val. The accused in his defence said the weight was old and worn out, but he did not know that it was less than the true weight. The Magistrate convicted him and sentenced him to pay a fine of Rs. 30.

FATAL FALL FROM A VERANDAH.—At the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, yesterday, Mr. P. Byrne, Coroner, for Bombay conducted an inquest, relative to the death of Pragji Liladhur, a Hindu, aged forty years. The deceased was a clerk in the employ of a broker in grain and lived at De Souza Street, Mandavie. He had been subject to fits of insanity, the last of which came on the 27th November last, when his memory failed and he quarrelled with imaginary objects. That evening Pragji took his meals and retired to rest with other members of the family. The next morning he was missed from his bed and on inquiries being made, he was found lying unconscious in the adjoining gully, immediately beneath the verandah on the fourth storey of the house. He was bleeding from a wound on the top of his head. He was conveyed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, where he some days afterwerds stated that while leaning against the railing of the verandah on the fourth floor, he accidentally overbalanced himself and fell down. He subsequently grew worse and died on Tuesday. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

ROBBERY UNDER ARMS.

MR. R. S. TIPNIS, Sessions Judge of Thana, in October last, convicted Honya Harji Langi and two others of voluntarily causing hurt in attempting to commit robbery, and of attempting to commit robbery when armed with deadly weapons ; and sentenced them each to rigorous imprisonment for seven years. An appeal by the accused was heard at the High Court on Tuesday before the Hon. Mr. Justice Russel and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston.

According to the evidence for the prosecution, the three accused went to the village of Khadivre on the evening of the 15th August last and demanded food and Rs. 25 from Hari Balpatil, and further voluntarily caused hurt to Hari and to Janu in order to compel them to deliver Rs. 25 on the spot. Then Hari expressed his inability to pay any money, one of the accused gave him blows of sticks and began to pull him towards the jungle. Then one Junia interfered, one of the accused struck him with a sword, and in the struggle which ensued, both Junia and Hari received wounds with swords : The evidence showed that accused Nos. 1 and 3 were each armed with a sword, and accused No. 2 had a gun. Accused No. 1 was caught and secured. No. 3 effected his escape, but the sword which he had used and which had dropped from his hand in the struggle had also been secured. Accused No. 2 was pursued, and his gun was wrenched from his hands, but he himself escaped. The three accused, the Sessions Judge told the jury, did attempt to commit extortion, and the offence of robbery would have been complete if Haripatil had paid the money. But though no money was paid, still as the accused were in the presence of Hari and attempted to commit extortion by putting Hari in fear of instant hurt and did actually cause him and Janu hurt, in order to compel Hary to pay money, the offence was an attempt to commit robbery. In attempting to commit robbery, two of the accused voluntarily caused hurt to two persons. Accused No. 2 was arrested two days later, but accused No. 3 was not arrested till the 22nd August. The accused admitted that they did go to Khandivre on the evening of the 18th August, and Nos. 1 and 3 further admitted that they each had a sword, and that he also had the gun. The jury unanimously found all the accused guilty ; and the Sessions Judge sentenced them to rigorous imprisonment for seven years each.

Their Lordship on a consideration of all the circumstances, dismissed the appeal.

INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar presided at a sitting of the Court yesterday.

RE W. WEAVER.

On the motion of Mr. Manker, the insolvent was granted the usual interim order.

RE NARANJI MULJI.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, applied for and obtained an interim order.

RE ABDUL KADER MOOSA.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, applied for an interim order. Mr. Rustom Wadia instructed by Messrs. Mansukhlal, Jamsetji and Hiralal, opposed the application on behalf of a creditor on the ground that the insolvent had concealed his property and had suppressed his books. The application was refused.

RE SUNDERAO MOTABHOY JAYAKER.

On the motion of Mr. Vaidya, the insolvent was granted leave to serve notices.

RE FAZAL ALLARAKHIA.

On the application of Mr. Manker, the insolvent was granted the usual interim order.

RE MARGARET ROCHE.

Mr. Ardasir Kapadia, for the insolvent, applied for and obtained leave to amend the petition and schedule.

RE KARAMSEY SHRIPAL AND ANOTHER.

On the motion of Mr. Manker, the rule granted to the insolvents to withdraw their petition was made absolute.

RE MAHOMEDALI MULLA ABDULALI.

On the application of Mr. Ardasir Kapadia, leave was granted to the insolvent to serve notices and amend his schedule.

DISCHARGES.

The following insolvents obtained their discharges : Alex. James Brown ; Bala Narayen Nulker ; Harishanker Krishnarao ; Jaganath Kashinath ; Vamanrao Luxman and others ; Shapurji Jamsetji ; Abdul Rehman Abdul Kader ; Vithaldas Gopal ; Pitamber Shivji Lohana and others ; and Judah Abraham.

HIS HIGHNESS THE AGA KHAN.

THE whole Mahomedan community, more particularly the Khoja section of it, will be glad to learn that their recognised leader, His Highness the Hon. Sir Sultan Mahomed Shah, Aga Khan, has been re-nominated a member of the Imperial Legislative Council for another term of two years. His Highness's tenure of the office during the last two years has been fruitful of some good results. He carefully watched the interests of the Native States and of the upper classes ; and he had made the subject of the Imperial Service troops his own, devoting considerable time and attention to a clear understanding of the principles on which he had advocated the proper constitution of the corps. His Highness was also instrumental in securing certain rights and privileges for the Imperial Cadet Corps formed by the sons of Native Chiefs and Princes. His Highness left for Calcutta from the Byculla railway station, on Tuesday night to attend to his duties in the Imperial Council. The Khojas are jubilant at the fresh honour conferred by the Supreme Government upon their chief spiritual guide and many of them attended at the station to offer their respects and good wishes to his Highness. Presents were made to him of bouquets and garlands of flowers, which would have quite filled a railway waggon. All the leading members of the community were present at the station. As the train moved slowly away, they made their obeisance to their esteemed chiefs and soon after dispersed. Among those present at the station were : Aga Shah Rookh Shah Acbar Shah Aga Moortooja Khan, Kamaria Ismailbhoy Kasmani, Messrs Joomabhoy Jan Mahomed, Valimahomed Pirmahomed, Ibrahimbhoy Mahomed Rowjee, Ahmedbhoy Dewjee, Mowjibhoy Heerjee, Mithabhai Jussa Zangbarwalla, Virjibhoy Ismail Kamaria Cassambhoy Visram, Moorjibhoy Coorjee Rahimtoola Moorjee, and many others.

THE INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS.

The Chairman of the Congress Reception Committee invites all friends to attend at the Apollo Bunder to-morrow morning at 7-30 to receive Sir Henry Cotton, and Sir William and Miss Wedderburn.

The following is the Route by which Sir Henry Cotton President-Eleet of the Congress and Sir William and Miss Wedderburn will proceed to their temporary residence in Mr. Adamji Pirbho'y bungalow at Ridge Road :—Starting at 7-30 a. m. from Apollo Bunder, they will proceed vice Hornly Row, Cruishank Road, Kalbadevi Road, Buleshwar Market and Buleshwar temple Cawasji Patel Tank Road Girgaum Back Road, Gowalia Road and the Gibbs Road.

We are requested to state that tickets for the delegates to the Congress can be obtained from the offices of the Bombay Presidency Association on payment of the delegation fee and on presentation of the delegates certificate. This can be obtained daily including Sunday from 12 noon to 5 p. m.

UNIVERSITY OF BOMBAY.

THE B. A. EXAMINATION RESULT.

THE following result of the B. A. Examination held by the University of Bombay was declared, yesterday afternoon :—

PRIZES AND SCHOLARSHIPS.

Ardeshir Rustomji Dalal gets the Ellis Scholarship, the James Taylor Prize, the Cobden Club Medal, the Sir James Fergusson Scholarship in Arts, and the Wordsworth Scholarship and Prize.

Achut R. Deshpande gets the Bhau Daji Prize.

Chimanlal M. Shroff gets the Dhirajlal Mathuradas Scholarship.

Chotalal B. Purani gets the Narayan Vasudev Scholarship.

Pirosha B. Chokasi gets the Perozshah Merwanji Jijibhoy Scholarship

FIRST CLASS.

(In Order of Merit.)

Ardeshir Rustomji, Dalal, Pandurang Damodar Gune, Jagannath Luxman Sathe.

LANGUAGES.

Second Class.

Athalye Anant S	Jagtiani Thakurdas T
Borges Cajetan F	Joshi Ramchandra K
Burn Katharine M	Lam Rustomji D
Choksi Pirojshah B	Lele Anant V
Desai Purushottam N	Madan Janardan A
Deshpande Achut R	Naik Vasant N
Gurbaxani Hotchand M	Pagnis Pandurang S
Hingorani Karamchand L	Phatak Mahadev N
Indarnarayen Brijmohanlali	Shah Keshavlal A
	Shastri B J G
	Thadani Nebhraj B

Pass.

Acharya Krishnaji Y	Kulkarni, Ganesh D
Adrianwalla Framroze N	Kumana, Kaikhasru E
Agashe Dattatraya G	Luag, Bamchandra K
Amberkar Ramkrishna D	Limaye, Balwant S
Antani Harilal R	Maniar Nurmahommed K
Avasia Ardesir N	Mehta Ambalal B
Bastodkar Mangesh R	Mirchandani Tejmal K
Batlivala Rattanji H	Mirchandani Verumal C
Billimoria Jamshid H	Moorjani Dagaram A
Chitre Anant V	Pandit Madhav S
Cursetji Bamanshah D	Pandya Amritlal D
Dallas Rustomji D	Pathan, Fazalkhan L
Dastur Khodayar S	Pestonjaana Dinbaji N
Desai Rajaram D	Pradhan Mohanlraj B
Deshbhakta Narharilal T	Rana Jeshvantrai D
Deshpande, Balkrishna G	Sabawala Pherozshah P
Deuskar, Purushottam S	Shah Bhagvandas D
Dongre, Anant V	Shahani Chatamal K
Gulrajani, Ghanshamdas K	Sheth Jagabhai D
Gupte, Vishnu G	Taleyarkhan Kaikhusru M
Hiregowdar, Devaji G	Tarachand Pestonshah J
Honap, Mahadev G	Vakil Jehangir B
Joshi, shankar V	Vakil Nandsukhlal O
Kadkol, Bodho G	Vania Jamsetji R
Kapadia, Dinshaw J	Vasani Chhaganlal R
Kirtikar Vaman A	

LOGIC & MORAL PHILOSOPHY.

Second Class.

Bhat Govind C	Joshi Shridhar B
Chiplonkar Purushottam S	Joshi Vaman M
	Kedhi Gaugadhar V

Pass.

Bapat Trimbak N	Limaye Govind H
Desai Bhagvatlal C	Manghirmalani Hassaram J
Desai Chunilal M	Mehta Hiralal M
Dhru Gatulal G	Pandit Purushottam S
Joshipara Jayasukhrai P	Patwardhan Hari K
Kalyanashetti Mallikarjun M	Shah Ghelabhai C
Kamal Parasram V	Trivedi Atisukhashandkar K
Katti Madhav V	Varadkar Baburao G
Kelkar Vishwanath G	
Kharshikar Hari T	

MATHEMATICS.

Second Class.

Niak Gulabbhai R	Patel Manibhai R

Pass.

Advani Dowlatram B	Paranjpe Mahadev R
Bhat Hargovind B	Parekh Bhagvanlal M
Chuckera Hasanali J	Parekh Prabhulal W
Kulkarni Bhimaji R	Paranjpye Krishnaji P

CHEMISTRY AND PHYSICS.

Second Class.

Anjari Dalpatram D	Lala Naoroji A
Billimoria Barjorji A	Makhija Dataram M
Butani Surattam B	Master Chunilal M
Gandhi Karsandas J	Oak Dattatraya S
Gazdar Sorabji N	Patuck Rustomji S
Joshi Narahan V	Reshamvala Narandas V
Kamat Bapuji B	Shroff Chimanlal M
Korlekar Bhalchandra V	Sutaria Rangil L

Pass.

Amin Chunibhai J	Mhatre Pandharinath P
Bapat Shankar D	Modak Govind K
Barve Narhar C	Moolan Feroze Dadiba B
Chebbi Hanmant S	Phatak Shridhar A
Cooper Meherjibhoy B	Ranikhetwala Fardunji R
Engineer Kaikhosru P	Reshamvala Nanalal M
Gole Hari K	Shroff Jagmohandas P
Hindia, Sanmukhram I	Vakil Dhirajlal M
Jariwala Hiralal N	Vachha Dossabhoy D
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Cooper Sorabji M	Karaka Feroz D
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Bannur Bando A	Lele Gangadhar V
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Billimoria Jamsheiji M	Mansukhani Teckchand V
Chandiramani Lilaram I	Marigoiy Narayan S
Chhatre Dattatraya P	Master Karim M
Chhugani Tilokchand W	Mehta Mukundrai U
Dadachanji Jehangir C	Mobedjiua Hormasji B
Dadinatha Cawashaw S	Mody Dwarkadas K
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Dalal Sorab A	Parikh Tulsibhai J
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Desai Manilal I	Rajguru Narayan K
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THE HULL OUTRAGE CONTROVERSY.

MR. EDWARD DICEY, C.B., in the "Empire Review," seeks to restore peace of mind to the British public, still much perturbed over the Hull outrage. He thinks the most simple explanation of the whole ghastly transaction is that the officers of one or more Russian men of war mistook some of their own torpedo boats for Japanese war-vessels, and owing to the fog—mental perhaps as well as material—by which they were surrounded, fired upon Russian torpedoers which, having drifted out of their right course, had got mixed up with a fleet of British trawling boats. That is the explanation of which we were told some time ago, general acceptance was gaining ground in St. Petersburg, but the Russian officers stubbornly refused to adopt it as their own, and adhered to the declaration that the vessels they fired on were in truth Japanese torpedoers. The above explanation is, doubtless, the true one nevertheless. If it were adopted by those who will defend Russia, Mr. Dicey thinks it might be justly used as an argument for larger compensation than we should otherwise demand from the Russian Government; but he holds that it cannot equitably justify a demand for condign punishment being inflicted on Russian officers, who, as will probably appear, acted in accordance with the orders they had received form their own superior officers, if not from their own Admiralty. That is so, but it will never appear that their own Admiralty ever ordered them to fire on British, or any other, fishing boats. They may have been ordered to keep a sharp look-out and be prepared for anything from the moment they left the Baltic. Mr. Dicey tells us it has come to his knowledge that some short time previous to the Hull outrage, the Russian Government had notified the Governments of Germany, Sweden and Denmark that the Baltic fleet would probably be attacked during its passage through the German Ocean. It proves that the Russian Government had received and given credence to the stupid "warning" of a contemplated attack, and accounts for the unhappy frame of mind in which the officers of the Baltic fleet found themselves on coming into open waters.

If orders were given to the officers to fire on torpedoers, it is useless asking that the officers, who ordered their gunners to aim at the fishing boats, shall be punished, and there is reason to believe that what may be called the punitory clause of the Anglo-Russian Agreement has been abandoned by our Government. This action will doubtless create a fresh outburst of feeling in Hull, but as Mr. Dicey points out, the choice for our Government lay between accepting a necessarily inconclusive enquiry, or taking action which must have led to a declaration of war, if not to immediate hostilities. If, he writes, "we had merely blockaded Vigo and compelled Admiral Rozhdestvensky to abandon the forlorn hope of arriving in time to relieve Port Arthur, the friendly relations between ourselves and France, created by the Anglo-French Agreement, would have been exposed to a strain too severe to contemplate with complacency, while we might have been dragged into a war with France, an enterprise into which no Englishman, quite apart from sentiment, would enter nowadays with a light heart." That is quite true, though at no time would the country have consented more readily to a declaration of hostilities against Russia, and no war could have been more popular. The Britisher has come to the conclusion that war is a clumsy and brutal method of adjusting international disputes, but he fully endorsed the demand of the member for Hull that immediate reparation and an abject apology should be exacted from Russia, and failing this that the Baltic Fleet should be sunk. Russophiles endeavoured to persuade us that the Tsar and his people are guiltless of art and part in the disaster, and we do not suppose any one now believes that the Russian vessels fired upon and killed our fishermen of "malice prepense." Even Mr. Skrine admits that had we been governed by a democracy, we should have been plunged into war, but it was quite unnecessary for him to add that modern communities are liable to fits of national hysteria, and swayed by passion and by ignorant prejudice which are exploited by irresponsible demagogues and the victims of real and fancied wrongs.

It would have done us little good to destroy the Baltic Fleet. If every ship Russia possesses had been sunk by British vessels, Russia would still have remained as powerful as ever in Persia and along the Afghan frontier. As Mr. Dicey puts it, Russia, with no free access to the sea, with—in comparison to her area—a very restricted sea-board, with a scanty maritime population and with an insignificant mercantile marine, can never be a formidable naval power. When, if ever, she watches her immense numerical strength against England in India, the contest will have to be fought out far away inland by swords and rifles, not by iron-clads and torpedoes. That is the worst of it, from England's point of view. The only practical result of our destroying the Baltic Fleet would have been to furnish Russia with a fair excuse for abandoning a ruinous enterprise which she has found beyond her strength and to render impossible for another generation or two, to say the least, any good understanding between herself and England. The reference of the outrage to examination by an independent tribunal was a wise proceeding, even if it were only to give the people an opportunity of cooling down. To-day the Commission will meet in Paris and commence the examination of witnesses. So near to the great holidays there may be a danger of the proceedings being hurried, that is if the Commissioners decide to proceed forthwith and complete the examination of witnesses without adjournment. If the Baltic fleet, which, since the incident, has not been guilty of any indiscretion—so far as is yet known—continues to abstain from molesting British merchant ships, there is every probability that the decision of the Commission will be accepted by the Government and by the people with loyalty. We have representatives of friendly Powers on the Commission, just as Russia has, and we are disposed to think they will interpret the evidence as much in our favour as they are able consistently with justice and equity. Russia will carry out the conditions with a due regard to the importance of the occasion. She could not hesitate to do otherwise.

COTTON IN AUSTRALIA. From time to time attention has been drawn to the attempts being made to establish cotton cultivation on a commercial scale in Australia. The experiments have resulted in a very valuable variety of cotton being cultivated in Queensland but, in view of the known prejudices of the Australians, what is of first importance to the future of the industry, is the fact that it is possible to grow cotton all over Queensland by white labour. Such at any rate is the statement of Mr. Daniel Jones of the Queensland Agricultural Department who is doing his utmost to enlist the sympathy of the Commonwealth Government in the efforts of his State to add one more field to the British areas whence cotton supplies may be drawn for the Empire's needs. The suitability of cotton growing to large areas of Queensland has been demonstrated, and Mr. Jones declares that not only is it possible to do without the coloured labour, to which there are so many objections in Australia, but white labour is really cheaper from the economic stand-point. The explanation of this paradox is that the tillage for cotton cultivation in Queensland will all be done by implements, and behind an implement the European is more economical than the coloured worker. Moreover, the Kanaka is not the skilled cultivator that the white man is, and of course, is deficient in most other respects. In the work of picking the cotton juveniles will be employed. Though there may be some large plantations in districts where the labour difficulty can be easily met, the main idea seems to be the creation of small plantations of from ten to fifty acres, controlled by families with a little help. There is illimitable land for this purpose, and, says Mr. Jones, in the central district of Queensland Rockhampton will one day be a splendid cotton area. A market is already guaranteed for the Queensland cotton, Sydney buyers having agreed to buy all the cotton offered by the farmers at Liverpool rates. The Brisbane Acclimatisation Society has experimented for years in hybridising and trying many varieties, and recently the Agricultural Department has distributed seed of the American Upland and Sea Island varieties. The latter has been found to adapt itself best to the coastal districts, and the Upland varieties are more suitable to the districts of the interior. The prospects of cotton cultivation in this part of Australia are altogether encouraging, and in the future there will be a rival to wool as a staple of Australian produce. There is, however, another aspect to the matter. The Queenslanders do not intend to be content with the cultivation of cotton. They do not see why they should not also turn it into manufactured goods. There was some attempt to make cotton goods at Ipswich in Queensland, but insufficient capital is given as the cause of the failure of the enterprise. Government aid in the shape of a bonus for cotton manufactures is looked for as a means of reviving and establishing this industry. Given this help and the experience of the previous failure it is believed that success would be assured. The prospect of Australia eventually supplying her own cotton goods should be interesting to manufacturers in other parts of the world, though it represents but one more step towards the development of home industries to which the whole of Australia's fiscal policy is directed. Meanwhile, Queensland is not alone in its cotton enterprise. The Eastern and African Company has leased several islands in the Arafura Sea which come within the purview of the Northern Territory, and here experimental cotton plantations are to be created. In the Northern Territory the labour question is somewhat more difficult than in Queensland, and there have been proposals for the creation of a special area in regard to which the necessity for coloured labour and special legislation would be recognised. New buildings have recently been erected and thoroughly equipped. There are now five large normal schools, which are turning out numbers of trained teachers for vernacular schools. By degrees trained teachers will become available for Anglo-vernacular schools and vernacular secondary and upper primary schools. What is now required is a cheap and simple system of training for teachers in lower primary vernacular schools. The number of such teachers is so great that any regular normal school course for them is beyond the resources of Government. It is also satisfactory to learn that the work done by the subordinate inspecting staff is improving, but it is doubtful whether the dethronement of examinations has so far achieved much more than the substitution of oral and impromptu for written and set examinations. In spite of the wide-spread prevalence of plague, the number of scholars receiving primary instruction showed a further increase of nearly 7,000 during the year. The rural population is showing signs of a desire for a more extended system of lower primary instruction, of a very simple character. The Government unfortunately has not the funds fully to meet that growing desire, but all that is possible in this direction is being done. A third satisfactory feature is the increase in the number of girls receiving education. The high castes, however, show no readiness to send their daughters to school, though there is some demand for peripatetic governesses.

EDUCATION IN THE U. P. THE annual report on public instruction in the United Provinces of Agra and Oudh, for the year ending March 1904, points to a fairly flourishing state of things which justifies in a great measure the increased expenditure of Rs. 1,10,000, incurred during the year. The two great objects on which attention is now being, and for long must be, concentrated are the improvement of the teaching staff, and the introduction of a new and more efficient system of inspection. It is satisfactory to learn that much is being done on either account. The usefulness of the training college for English-knowing teachers is

THE CAPTURE OF THE KING ARTHUR. IT is unnecessary to lament the seizure by the Japanese of the steamer King Arthur of Bombay, which is not likely to lead to an international incident. The steamer is something like twenty-five years old and used to be employed in the Persian Gulf trade. Some months ago she was bought by a Frenchman, visiting Bombay, who also purchased ten thousand bags of flour to load her with. She left Bombay ostensibly for Chifu, but apparently ran the blockade and landed her cargo at Port Arthur. Another ship, whose name we at present withhold, was also purchased by the same emissary of the Russian Government and was despatched to Chifu with provisions which have doubtless also been delivered at Port Arthur.

SARDAR Inayat Ullah Khan will arrive in Calcutta in time to see the race for the Viceroy's Cup on the 27th instant.

SEVERAL shocks of earthquake are reported from Darjeeling. There was quite a severe one early on Monday morning.

THE new rifle factory at Ishapur will probably be completed in March, when the manufacture will begin and the present 303 rifles will be converted to charger loaders.

A RUMOUR is circulating in North Malabar, says a local paper, to the effect that the Baltic Fleet will call at the little French port of Mahe on its way to the Far East.

THE Copenhagen correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph" says that Dr. Henrik Ibsen's illness has assumed the form of a dangerous attack of paralysis, and the veteran dramatist is now unable to speak, read, or write.

MR. I. MILLER, of Larkhall an athlete and vegetarian walked in October last, from Carlisle to Glasgow (95 miles) in 22 hours, carrying all his food with him. This was chiefly raisins, dates and nuts.

THE Humanitarian League addressed the new Lord Mayor of London expressing the hope that he would give instructions that pate de foie gras which causes much cruelty in its preparation should be excluded from the City banquets during his term of office. The request was not acceded to, and this luxury has appeared on the Lord Mayor's table as usual.

NEWS of an important series of antiquarian discoveries has just reached Paris. In the course of his excavations at the Temple of Ammon, at Karnak, M. Legrani has brought to light 450 pieces of sculpture, belonging to all periods of Egyptian history down to the times of the Ptolemies. This is one of the most important historical discoveries ever made in Egypt.

THE lighter side of the controversy between Mr. Pearson, Mr. Winston Churchill, and others is conveyed in a short dialogue given by Mr. G. K. Chesterton in a letter to the "Times":—Tory Free Trader.—I am sorry I must drop the "Standard"; a Protectionist has bought it. Mr. Pearson.—Oh, there won't be any sudden change. Tory Free Trader.—If it is going to change, I should prefer it sudden. Mr. Pearson (with a noble candour).—I admit I have not hitherto been enthusiastic for Free Trade, but—— Tory Free Trader.—enthusiastic! Free Trade! Man alive you're an official of the Tariff Reform League. Mr. Pearson.—Now, don't you get upset. We shall keep the tone and the good English and the nice clear print and—— Tory Free Trader.—All I want to know is whether it is going to be Protectionist. Mr. Pearson (with dignity),—Permit me to inform you that I am only thirty-eight.

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THE "Demopolis Express-Dispatch" in an article, "Cupid's Capers," tells us of how on a certain Tuesday morning at 11-30 o'clock in the Methodist Church, "the little blind god rounded off another piece of perfect work when the hearts and hands of Miss Anna B. Eppes and Mr. Edmund Brock McCarty were united in the holy bonds of matrimony." The happy event, though long expected was only announced on the Sunday before it took place but the news spread rapidly over the town like the bursting of the sunshine through some suddenly rifted cloud. Mendelssohn's March was played as the bridal party entered the church and when the fateful words had been pronounced "again Mendelssohn welcomed them in the world of happiness and love. Of the high contracting parties much could be said and not touch the borders of extravagant praise. There is no need of introducing them to the readers of the "Express-Dispatch." They have lived in Demopolis many years and have scores of friends and admirers. Mr. McCarty has filled the office of Grand Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias, and his home friends have loved to honour him in many ways, social, political, and otherwise. He may yet rise to other and higher degrees of such preferment, but never as long as life shall last, shall any honour so high, so pure, so noble be conferred upon him as that by Rev. O. S. Welch when he united him in marriage to the girl he has loved and wooed so long. May they ever be as happy as now!" Matrimony in this country seems desperately dull and unemotional by comparison.

THINGS SEEN BY THE SURGEON.

SOME UNEXPECTED HUMOURS.

(BY E. CLERIHEW.)

"No," said the surgeon, as he strapped up my wrist with dexterous fingers, you'll be pleased to hear that there's absolutely no reason for you to be anxious about this thing. At least, I hope you'll be pleased. Some people wouldn't be. When I was in general practice I met with many men, and innumberable women, who broke out into transports of fury because I told them there was nothing the matter with them. It seems absurd, but so it is, my dear sir, I assure you. Some people will have it that they are ill, and seriously, too. It is the physician that they trouble usually, but in my branch of the profession we see something of them. I had an old gentleman here last week—a country rector—who had made up his mind that his left leg would have to come off. When I told him it was a simple abscess, and that he would be up and about in a fortnight, he was terribly angry. I hear he has been trying since then to induce several of my professional brethren to tell him that he must part with at least a foot, but none of them will concede so much as a toe-nail. He had, no doubt, been steeling himself for weeks against the fancied necessity of being maimed, and didn't like wasting so much good moral effort. However, I gave up trying to understand rectors long ago.

"Yes, no doubt it is a misfortune that one thinks about with dread, when one believes one is likely to lose an arm or a leg, but a great many people especially in the labouring classes, are not so much upset by it as you would suppose, in spite of the heavy handicap it must be to people in that station of life. I think they find that it operates as a sort of title to distinction in a society which has few and simple interests. There was a young costermonger, whose left arm I took off at the elbow a few years ago. He hadn't been out of hospital very long before he turned up again, wanting to see me. I came down to him, and found him wreathed in smiles. He had with him, in a box, a perfectly new false arm, of first-rate workmanship, of which he was inordinately vain. He explained that it was the gift of a number of his friends, who had subscribed a sum of money and presented him with the best arm that was to be had. He showed me all its points with unconcealed pride. I helped him to adjust it, and he went away in a state of exultation.

That reminds me of another case. It was a woman this time, a middle-aged woman, who was cook in the household of a friend of mine. She had a serious accident, and I had to take off her right leg. Peterson—that was her employer's name—found that it didn't make the slightest difference in her efficiency or state of mind after she had obtained a substitute.

It was two or three years afterward that he and his family took a house in the country somewhere for the summer, and sent their domestics down ahead of them. As they were getting into the railway omnibus, Peterson noted that the cook was carefully carrying a bulky parcel, of which she would allow no one to relieve her. He pointed it out to his wife, who could not throw any light on it.

What is it that cook is carrying so carefully, Mary? inquired Mrs. Peterson of her maid.

Mary, who is a privileged attendant of long standing, raised her nose a degree or two, and sniffed.

That's cook's best leg, madam, she explained; what she wears of a Sunday. Nothing won't part her from it. Sleeps with it' andy under the bed, she does, in case of fire. The stockin's she buys to go with it—well, there, it's wicked—spun silk, if you please—and her with her mother and a young sister to 'elp on in the world. And as for the airs she puts on about it! I'm sure we all 'ave that leg of 'er ladyships shoved down our throats every day—what it cost, and 'ow ingenious it's made, and 'ow she couldn't keep her self-respect if she didn't 'ave a reely good class article—something sickenin it is.

That, to the best of my recollection, is Mrs. Peterson's report of Mary's remarks; but she is a woman with some little tendency to exaggerate. Still, so far as you accept it, it bears out what I say.

These mechanical legs are some of them marvellous pieces of workmanship. After I operated on Sir Julius Dedwood—you remember how he lost his left leg by an accident at the docks—he had a wonderful contrivance from an American firm. By accommodating his real leg to the movements of his false one he produced a perfect illusion. It merely gave him a kind of light cavalry swagger, and he liked that, having never been able to sit on the back of any kind of horse.

But one fatal day the leg went wrong. It happened unluckily, at a reception at Lady Hornbeam's. Sir Julius was sitting by the Duchess of Mire, having just got her an ice, and was making himself as pleasant as he knew how. (The Duke, you remember, was his chief at the Board of Communications.) All of a sudden something snapped in the leg which Sir Julius had, very foolishly, crossed over the other in an easy attitude—a strain it was never meant to bear. The leg flew up like a catapult caught the Duchess plate, and dashed it to the ceilling. The fragments flew in every direction; but most of the ice came down exactly between the Duchess' shoulders. There was a fearful scene. The Duchess had an attack of hysteria. All the women screamed. Sir Julius stood on one leg, purple in the face, with the other leg darting round and round looking like the emblem of the Isle of Man. At last he managed to hop to the door, the legs gyrations growing swifter and wilder every moment, and disappeared in a sort of halo of leg. People talked of nothing else for days.

What is the most complicated surgical case I can call to mind? Ah! that is indeed a question! I don't know though that there's any doubt about it, really, when I come to think of it. Captain Castagnette's is the classical case. I'll describe it in untechnical language. He was one of Napoleon's veterans, who began as a private soldier under the Committee of Public Safety. He lost an arm at Valmy. Good soldiers were not discouraged in the straits in which France then was, and he was soon in the field again, but lost a leg at Wattignies. Nothing daunted Castagnette returned to active service in time to have his face shattered by a shell at Rivoli. It was replaced by a waxen mask; but when he went on the Egyptian campaign the sun melted it, and Napoleon presented him with a silver one.

He got off without much more serious knocking about until the battle of Jena, when he received a grapeshot in the stomach, which had to be cut away replaced by a leather. . . At Wagram a small shell lodged in the middle of his back. It did not explode, and it could not be removed, in the existing state of surgical science without danger to Castagnette's life. They left it where it was.

He went on the fatal march to Moscow, and his leather stomach, which was less exigent in its demands than an ordinary one, was most useful to him in the terrible privations of the retreat. At Leipsig Castagnette lost his remaining leg and arm, and gained the Cross of the Legion of Honour.

In 1815 he rejoined the Emperor on the return from Elba, and fought at Waterloo. He had two wooden legs and a helmet with a long spike on it; an idea borrowed from the rhinoceros at the Jardin des Plantes. With this he did some execution, but was struck down and left for dead on the field.

It was his last battle. Yet it was at the hands of the enemy that he died at the Invalides, fifteen years later. He fell asleep in front of a fire, and his wooden legs became ignited. Slowly the fire crept up until his leathern stomach began to smoulder. All this time he had, of course, felt nothing; and he never felt anything again for before he awoke the shell in his back exploded with a deafening report. The only recognisable thing found in the room afterwards was the Cross of the Legion of Honour which Castagnette had been wearing.

IN France, November has been within one point of posing as a record month. There were eleven days of frost, and the coldest November on record only contained twelve. Frost was never very keen but the thermometer hovered with frequency around freezing point. The meteorologists also seem to have learned something from the month's records. It is now perceived that steady frost does not necessarily follow from a given degree of barometric pressure. The general distribution of the winds also count for much.

BLOCKADE RUNNERS.

BOMBAY STEAMER CAPTURED.

ESCAPING RUSSIAN OFFICERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, DECEMBER 20.

Twenty-six officers were killed and forty-four wounded in the recent attacks at Port Arthur.

The cruiser Tsushima has seized the steamer Negretia off Korea, bound for Vladivostock, supposed to be carrying a cargo of contraband and also the Russian officers and men of the Russian destroyers who escaped from internment at Shanghai.

The Japanese guardship has captured the British steamer King Arthur from Bombay emerging from Port Arthur with Russian officers attempting to join the Baltic fleet.

Admiral Davis, the American Commissioner, has arrived at Antwerp and the Commission will meet in Paris on Thursday.

M. Delcasse to-day entertained the Commissioners at lunch.

LONDON, DEC. 21.

A telegram from St. Petersburg states that owing to the scarcity of officers, the latest mobilization order includes the despatch to the Far East of cadets from most of the military schools.

The newspapers are publishing a variety of reports from Hull that secret agents supposedly acting for Russia have been endeavouring to bribe fishermen to swear that there were torpedo boats among the trawlers.

The "Times," discussing the suggestion of the Russian papers that Great Britain was tiring of the Japanese alliance, says that should a "casus foleris" unhappily arise, nothing would induce us to break our plighted word.

THE COLONIES AND THE NAVY.

A Canadian Squadron.

THE DOMINION'S DEFENCE.

Canada is about to establish, in agreement with the Admiralty, a Canadian squadron beginning with three cruisers which will be manned by Canadian Naval Militia. The Dominion also is prepared to garrison and maintain the defences of the dockyards at Halifax and Esquimalt.

THE FISCAL CONFLICT.

Speech By the Liberal Leader.

TARIFF REFORM AND THE WORKERS.

Sir H. Campbell Bannerman, speaking at Limehouse said it is not those, who are for ever mouthing the word Empire to cover their own shady acts and policy, who are the best friends of the Empire. Mr. Chamberlain had no authority whatever to speak for the Colonies, and his proposals would not give greater employment to the people but only to monopoly-mongers and tariff touts.

THE AFGHAN MISSION TO INDIA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, DEC. 21.

The arrival of Sirdar Inayatulla Khan at Tandihotal is reported.

IMPROVEMENTS IN CALCUTTA.

The Government of India have decided to acquire two properties, No. 1 Council House Street, and No. 10 Hare Street, Calcutta, for the erection of a large block of offices for the miscellaneous departments of the Government of India. In designing the new building which will also take in the old Foreign Office building, it is the intention of Government to widen Council House Street from St. John's Church to Dalhousie Square and to round off the corner into Hare Street.

THE VICEROY'S CUP.

GREAT SCOTT'S CONDITION.

Great Scott's condition continues to give anxiety to his supporters for the Viceroy's Cup. He has only been able to do slow work so far and serious doubts begin to be whispered about him, though his nominal price in the betting is still three to one. "Active" on the other hand, has been doing some very good gallops and steadily gains in support. He is quoted at fives for a win, and six to four for a place. "Applause" has been made a favourite for the Trials and stands for the Cup at fives for a win and evens for a place. "Pure Gold" has come up in the betting for the Cup to third place and is quoted at sixes. Cretonne is at fourteens, Tubal Cain, Prince Lyon Essington and Vasto at fifteens, Up Guards and Loch Clievedon at twenties.

THE TREATMENT OF LEPROSY.

CAPTAIN ROST'S SPECIFIC.

Captain Rost's leprosy injection treatment continues to attract attention, and a paper in the "Indian Medical Gazette," published in Calcutta, states that out of a hundred and twenty cases in which it has been tried in Burma, fourteen have been discharged as cured and twenty have improved so much as to be considered almost cured.

MOTOR CARS for hire. Driving taught. Repairs any make of car, effected. Palmer Cord Tyres E. I. C. Plugs and Price's Lubricants for sale.—E. J. LEE, 6, Esplanade Road, Bombay.

THE GOVERNOR IN SIND.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

HYDERABAD (SIND) DEC. 20.

This morning at 7-45 H. E. the Governor drove round and visited the Central Jail, the Training Schools, the Civil Hospital, the Lady Dufferin Hospital, and at 11 o'clock performed the opening ceremony of the Jacob Memorial Hall, attached to the Navalrai-Hiranand Academy which was tastfully decorated.

On the Governor's arrival the Commissioner in Sind introduced to his Excellency Mr. Motiram Advani, the Honorary Secretary of the Jacob Memorial Committee, who in turn introduced the members of the Hyderabad Education Society to the Governor. The proceeding commenced by a welcome song sung by the boys of the Academy. The Honorary Secretary then read a report: The Hall was built to perpetuate the memory of the late Mr. P. Jacob, who died in Karachi, in October 1895. After a strenuous service of nearly thirty years in the Educational Department during which period he took the keenest interest in the promotion of the cause of education whether as Head Master, Poona High School or Principal of the Elphinstone High School or Secretary of the Education Commission of 1882 or Educational Inspector in Nasik, Poona, or Sind. He brought to bear on his work so much of his originality and true sympathy and earnestness as to entitled him the admiration, esteem and affection of all who knew him. On his death it was decided to raise funds to commemorate his name. Rs. 2,849-8-9 were collected by his friends and admirers. The Memorial Committee decided to call the Central Hall of the Navalrai-Hiranand Academy after Mr Jacob and maintain it as a distinct memorial hall, available for public purposes. His Excellency made a short but appropriate speech, fully appreciative of Mr. Jacob's devotion and earnest efforts in the cause of education in Sind and Bombay, and then unlocked the door with a silver key presented to his Excellency as a souvenir. In declaring the Hall open, Lord Lamington remarked that he had the greatest pleasure of doing so. The Governor then inspected the portrait of Mr. Jacob which has been presented to the Academy by Messrs Dayaram Gidumal Tarachand Showkiram and Bulchand Dayaram.

SULTAN OF JAHORE.

LEAVES THE TURF.

CALCUTTA, DEC. 21.

The Sultan of Jahore who has often figured at Indian race meetings is retiring from the turf. His racing stud is notified to be sold here to-morrow to the highest bidder. It includes Carrara, Gaulme, Peppercorn, Minerva, Rapid Pilgrim, Domino, Massachusetts, Jahore and Carolan.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS, DECEMBER 20.

Lieut G N Newcombe, 2-3rd Gurkha Rifles from England.
Major F W Hallowes, S and T Corps from England.
Lieut Owen Symons, 1st Gloucester Regiment from England.
Captain H Greenfield, 2nd South Stafford Regiment from England.
Lieut C T Boyce, 48th Pathans, from England.
Lieut G B Combe, 47th Sikhs from England.
Captain W W MacGregor, 2nd Gordon Highlanders from England.
Major D C Phillot, 23rd Cavalry from England.
Captain G A S Gordon, 13th Lancers from England.
Major A A Wolfemarry, 1st Highland Light Infantry from England.
Lieut T S G Dalyell, 129th Baluchis from England.
Lieut N Lewis, 37th Lancers from England.
Captain C S Robson, 10th Jats, from England.
Captain W A M Temple, 1st Gloucester Regiment, from England.
Major G H Colomb, 4th Gurkhas, from England.
Captain J E L Bruce, Royal Artillery, from England.
Major-General Sir G T Pretyman, from Secunderabad.
Lieut C S Pike, 107th Pioneers, from Poona.

DEPARTURES, DECEMBER 20.

Major F W Hallowes, S and T Corps, to Bareily.
Major D C Phillot, 23rd Cavalry, to Nowshera.
Captain G A S Gordon, 13th Lancers, to Jhelum.
Major W Goring, 3rd Hussars, to Sialkote.
2nd-Lieut P C R Dodd, 1st Somerset Regiment to Cawnpore.
Captain Ivan Battye, Guides, to Mardan.
Major G H Colomb, 4th Gurkhas, to Bakhloh.
Lieut D P Johnstone, R A M C, to Bangalore.
Major J H Twiss, R E, to Madras.
Captain Forster, Suffolk Regiment, to Karachi.
Lieut H S Ghow, Royal Garrison Artillery, to Rajputana.
Lieut-Colonel C T Robinson, Staff, to Mhow.
Lieut J T Kirby, 109th Infantry, to Baroda.
Major F. Wynch, 37th Dogras, to England.
Major G B Irwine, I M S, to England.
Major A R Dimmas, S and T to England.
Lieut C M Lewis, 4th Q O Hussars, to England.

THE IN-COMING MAIL.

THE P. and O. S. N. Co.'s steamer Arabia, which is expected to arrive in Bombay, to-morrow morning, brings the following passengers :—

FROM LONDON.

Bowles Miss
Browning Mr and Mrs C H and infant
Block Mrs A
Beeton Miss D
Baird Mr F M
Bernie Mr and Mrs W J
Dreyk Mr R
Davies Mrs
Dixon Miss
Forgusson Sir John
Gordon, Mrs
Gow Miss C
Hill Mrs T
Hodgkinson Miss
Johnston Mr R H
Kirk Mr and Mrs G E
King Mrs A J
Khambatta Dr K D
Landon Mrs
Moore Mr and Mrs G R
Mitchell Mr W
Merkerjia, Mr J C
Moir Miss H A
Osborne Mrs W
Pinsent Mr and Mrs
Rome Mrs F J and infant
Roderiquery Miss
Rolandson Capt J H
Redcliff Mrs
Simpson Mr J
Strachan Rev and Mrs R and 2 infants
Scott Miss C
Smith Miss C
Soncin Mr L
Watson Milne Mr A
Wedderburn Sir W and Miss
Wilson Mrs

FROM GIBRALTAR.

Murray Mr A S
Murray Miss D
Rouse Mr H C
Stone Mr B E

FROM MARSEILLES.

Atkinson Miss E
Archdale Mrs and infant
Alexander Mrs J S
Bradbury Mr and Mrs J F
Boyne Mr W G
Blair Lt G L
Barker 2 Misses P and R
Beer Mr
Byle Rev and Mrs W W
Benyon Mrs W G and infant
Barraway Miss D
Cotton Sir Henry
Cruisse Lt Col and Mrs W F and child
Cavera Mr F X
Colquhoun Mr H A
Clark, Mr W H
Cole Mr and Mrs W H and infant
Cohen Mr Mrs and Miss
Cooper Mrs
Collins Mrs and Miss
Dunkerley Mr and Mrs
Dooly Mrs H J and infant
Dawson Mr and Miss
Elliott Mr R H
Elliott Hon Mrs
Eade Mr G
Forbes Mr and Mrs A F C
Gunning Mr and Mrs J F and infant
Gruning Mr L H
Gray Mr J W
Goodacre Mr W
Goodall Mr C A
Gray Mr and Mrs J P
Hewlettwaite Mr H
Hinlaw Mr C and Miss
Holt Mr H S
Holl Lady Mary
Hordle Miss
Hindmarsh Mr and Mrs
Hamilton Mr and Mrs
Hamilton Miss
Hamilton Mr A
Hamilton Mr J
Hamilton Mr R
Hamilton Mr W
Hamilton Mr and Mrs
Hamilton Miss
Hamilton Mr and Mrs
Hamilton Miss
Hamilton Mr and Mrs
Hamilton Miss

of petroleum, Campbell oil engines with approximate illustration of 18 Brake H. P. and larger sizes and various other machinery.

There are also two of Grossley's Patent oil engines, for which the local firm of Messrs. Framji Cowasji are agents—one at work each evening and the other on exhibition.

The "Hornsby" oil engine, of which Messrs. Batliboi and Co. are local agents, and which we noticed at some length in a previous issue, is in use very largely in lighting up a considerable portion of the Exhibition ground.

ANOTHER DEMONSTRATION.

Last evening, Mr. Sherring, C.E., Special Water Engineer to the Bombay Municipality, gave a very interesting and practical demonstration of water filters and the waste of water and its prevention. There was also another demonstration of the process of extracting poison from cobras and other venomous reptiles, both near the Forestry pavilion and in the Health Section.

COLLECTION FROM ENGLAND.

Sir William Wedderburn, who arrives in Bombay by the in coming English mail on Friday morning, brings with him a large number of articles, to be exhibited particularly in the Ladies' Section, collected in England by a Committee under the patronage of Princess Christian, organized, we believe, through ths instrumentality of Lady Mary Wedderburn, who is at present in England. The articles consist of some beautiful and valuable enamels, embroideries and miniatures. Among the collection are articles belonging to Princess Christian, Princesses Victoria and Louis of Schlesing-Holstein, Princess Henry of Battenburg and Countess Feodora Gleichen.

Sir Henry Cotton also arrives by the same vessel. Both Sir William Wedderburn and Sir Henry Cotton will be received at the Apollo Bunder, on arrival by the Exhibition Committee and a number of other people who have been invited by the Exhibition Committee.

FEMALE EDUCATION AT AHMEDABAD.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

THE distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Mahaluxmi Female Training College for Mistresses, at Ahmedabad and the pupils of Girls' High School, and the elementary school for Hindoo, Parsee and Mahomedan children took place recently These three Institutions, writes a correspondent, are all taught in the same set of buildings. In some of the exercises, as in the marching songs, the whole of the two hundred pupils were mustered and their numbers as they marched up through two long lines of bright faced and bright robed children, single and double file, four abreast, had a very striking effect to which the picturesque costumes, representing the many nationalities, greatly contributed. The drilling was excellent and did great credit to the teachers. There were several Gujerati and English recitations which were extremely well rendered. A humorous piece by the class entitled "If no one ever marries us and we don't see why they should" and a very attractive piece given by the only English pupil evoked well merited-applause and commendation.

The Lady superintendent, Mrs. McAfee, who, has held charge of these institutions for twenty-one years, and who is retiring this Christmas, then read a very interesting sketch of the history of the College.

The report stated that the institution opened in 1808 with a small class of six girls learning the alphabet, and that even as late as 1871 it numbered but twelve girls few of whom intended to be teachers and all of whom had to be given money inducements for coming. It now numbered 167. The status of the pupils in those early times was not what it was now. Native prejudice was strong and few indeed were the respectable families which were willing to send their daughters. But now the wives of trained masters freely attend the Institution, whilst nearly all the Shettias of the city had sent their daughters there to be trained in one or other of the three Institutions. As regards the training College for Mistresses, so great was the desire for admission that an average of eighty young wsmen yearly appeared as candidates at the entrance examination. The College could now therefore afford to exercise selection, and have only those of this number who passed with the highest marks were admitted. As regards the High School which when the present Lady Superintendent took over charge, consisted of four little girls studying in the V Standard. It had now developed into a school of seven standards, from the highest of which pupils were sent up almost yearly for the Matriculation Examination of the Bombay University—while all the Arts students of this Division had matriculated from this school. The numbers in this school were sixty-four, while the Practising school of the College consisted of one hundred and thirty-four girls, making a total of three hundred and one Hindoo, Parsee and Mahomedan women and girls who attended the three Institutions. Three plots of ground had during the time of the present incumbent been bought up by Government to meet the gradual steady growth of the Institution, while no less than four blocks of buildings, to wit, three school houses for the College and Practising school classes, new and extended boarders' quarters and quarters for the three assistants—had been erected during that time. All this they owed to the strenuous, exertions of the Director of Public Instruction.

As for the staff, one additional European assistant and three vernacular teachers had had to be added to the present staff to meet the demands of the work. The Lady Superintendent then alluded to the excellent work done by her predecessor and to the great asistance she received from her present staff.

The Commissioner of the Division, Mr. Atkins, as President of the meeting, then made a speech, which he referred to Mrs. McAfee's approaching retirement and spoke of her work in no unstinted terms of praise. The Commissioner stated that he spoke on high Educational authority when he said that Mrs. McAfee's fidelity of service and able administration of these institutions during the long time of twenty-one years had merited and received the high commendation of Government. He stated that amid the inevitable pain she must feel in quitting this school where she had labored so earnestly. It must be an alleviating satisfaction to be able to entrust to a successor an Institution which under her able administration had grown to such a state of efficiency.

Mr. Giles, Director of Public Instruction, referred to Mrs McAfee's work endorsing Mr Atkins' remarks and adding his testimony to the fact of the growth of the Institution under Mrs. McAfee's administation.

Mrs Atkins then distributed the prizes and a very interesting ceremony was brought to a conclusion by singing in Gujerati the National Anthem. The large gathering numbering with Europeans and Natives, some hundreds of visitors then dispersed some to see the needle work exhibits while the Director of Public Instruction conducted the Commissioner and Mrs. Atkins round the grounds to inspect the three handsome buildings which have recently been erected on the premises.

Among those present were Mrs. Atkins and Mrs. Doderet, Mrs. Palmer, the Rev. Mr. Beck Capt. Grove and several other Military Officers, Mrs. Sievright and several ladies from the various Missions, several European strangers. Among the Hindoo and Parsee guests were Khan Bahadoor Nowrojee Pestonjee Vakil, Sheth Premchund Roichund, the Nagar Sheth, the young Sheth of the Sahabai family and several other of the Shets whose daughters or relatives had, it appears, been educated in the Institution. Ambalal Sakerlal Desai C. I. E. Rao Bahadoor Lalshanker C. I. E. the Principals of the Government High School and of the Gujerat Training College, some of the Professors of the Arts College, Doctor Benjamin Kalliarwalah and several other members of the medical profession, and a number of other citizens who with their wives and daughters numbered some two or three hundred guests.

THE region of Chambery is threatened with a disastrous landslide. In August of last year a fall of mountain rock which, besides destroying the village of Thormery was the ruin of eight blocks of building, did other damage to the extent of £12,000. Now there totter to their fall, a chain of crags that must inevitably bury the entire village. So imminent has the danger become that alternative schemes have been discussed, one for making an excavation that would throw the incline of the rocks in another direction, and another, more simple, for having the village evacuated, and bring the fall down by explosion. The Municipal Council have elected for the latter, but the inhabitants clamour against it.

ADVICE TO MOTHERS!—Are you broken in your rest by a sick child suffering with the pain of cutting teeth? Go at once to a chemist and get a bottle of Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. It will relieve the poor sufferer immediately. It is harmless and pleasant to taste, it produces natural, quiet sleep by relieving the child from pain and the little cherub awakes as bright as a button. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays pain, relieves wind, regulates the bowels and is the best known remedy for dysentery and diarrhœa whether arising from teething or other causes. Mrs. Winlow's Soothing Syrup is sold by Medicine dealers everywhere

BOMBAY STANDING COMMITTEE.

THE weekly meeting of the Standing Committee of the Bombay Corporation was held yesterday afternoon in the Municipal Council Hall, the Hon. Mr. Vithaldas Damoder Thackersey presiding. There were also present: Mr. Sassoon J. David, Mr. James MacDonald, Lieutenant-Colonel H. P. Dimmock, Mr. E. J. Gell, Mr. Jaffer Rahimtoola, Sir Bhalchundra Krishna, Dr. K. E. Dadachanji, Dr. Dinshaw B. Master, Dr. N. N. Katrak, Mr. Joseph Baptista, Dr. A. G. Viegas, Mr. W. L. Harvey, Municipal Commissioner and Mr. M. N. Wadia, Secretary.

SEWERAGE OF MALABAR HILL.

The Committee considered a letter from the Commissioner, stating that in response to the invitation of tenders for the works in the Sewerage of Malabar Hill, Sub-District No. 1, the following two firms had submitted tenders: Messrs. Teju Koya and Co., at Rs. 2,04,544; and Messrs. Sitaram Luximon and Co., at Rs. 2,93,369. The Commissioner requested the sanction of the Committee to the acceptance of the lower of the two tenders, namely that of Messrs. Taju Koya and Co., at rates at which the estimated cost of the work would aggregate Rs. 2,04,544, including Rs. 10,895 for the cost of the supervising establishment plus Rs. 12,041 for road repairs and Rs. 23,676 for contingencies.

The Committee give its approval to the acceptance of the lowest tender, namely that of Messrs. Teju Koya and Company.

OILING THE ROADS.

The following letter from the Commissioner was considered. "With reference to the Resolution of the Coporation, of 26th September 1904, sanctioning the treatment of the road from the King's Statue to the Apollo Pier with Westrumite, I have to state that the Executive Engineer estimates that including labour and material (Westrumite) the cost of carrying out the experiment only on the road from Wellington Fountain to the King's Statue will be about Rs. 1,650. As the Corporation have agreed to sanction the necessary grant on the recommendation of the Standing Committee, I request that the latter Body will kindly recommend to the Corporation the grant of the above amount. Messrs. Fleming Shaw & Co. have agreed to supply the required quantity of Westrumite on condition of their being paid for it, if the experiment proves successful, and the necessary agreement to this effect will be entered into."

Mr. Sassoon J. David remarked that the cost of the material appeared to be so heavy that even if the experiment proved successful, it was a question whether the Corporation would treat all the roads with Westrumite.

It was resolved to recommend the Corporation to sanction the amount of the expenditure asked for.

ALLEGED OBJECTIONABLE WELL.

The following letter to the President from Dr. K.S. Engineer was referred to the Commissioner for favour of remarks:—"As the question of providing the well, situated in house No. 39 at Marine Lines, with a cover and a pump is before the Standing Committee I have to bring to your notice the following:—In my compound there is a well which is open to sky. Its situation is central. There are no vegecations in and around it. It is plastered throughout with Portland cement. To prevent soakage of water falling on the surrounding area the well is properly drained. The water is chemically examined and is found 'wholesome.' The water is used for watering the garden and for domestic and religious purposes; as per our Zoroastrian religion a well should be kept open to sky and water of such well is only used in the performance of religious ceremonies. By keeping the well open to sky the water is properly oxygenated and aerified. Nearly 4 to 5 hundered gallons of water are daily removed from this well, and not a drop of water is allowed to soak into the surrounding area. I am residing on the ground floor of my house and as I am a medical man I personally look after the conservancy and sanitation of my compound. As the well is kept scrupulously clean, I, for my part, don't understand why false fears are entertained of breeding mosquitoes by the Municipality. I have much to say on this last point, but as I do not wish to take up your precious hour I leave this question to your good sense and impartial justice."

The Committee then adjourned till Thursday the 29th instant.

AN ADDRESS ON TEMPERANCE.

LAST EVENING a public meeting of the advocates of temperance, under the auspices of the Indian Temperance Association, was held in the hall of the Anjuman-i-Islam, Hornby Road, to hear an address on Temperance by Mr. Samuel Smith, M. P., President of the Anglo-Indian Temperance Association, Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, Kt., presided, and there was a fair attendance of Hindus, Mahomedans, and Parsees, including representatives of the Coronation Literary Society.

Mr. Smith, who was received with cheers, in addressing the meeting, said he considered that the real hero of the temperance cause in India was his friend, the late Mr. Caine. It was very much owing to him that the Society was founded. It was true that when he (Mr. Smith) was in India in 1886, the friends of India brought to his notice the evil that was being wrought by drinking in India and asked him to do what he could, when he returned home, to direct public attention to it. He was deeply impressed with what he heard and he took the first opportunity of bringing, before the British. Legislature the state of things that existed in India and recommending that strong restrictions should be placed on the sale of alcohol. Mr. Caine came to India a year later, and he also found the same state of things everywhere. Mr. Caine devoted himself with great energy to agitate this question, and he and the speaker succeeded in getting a resolution passed in the British Legislature, condemning the system which then existed regarding the sale of intoxicants and requesting that another system should be adopted; one more favourable to the cause of temperance. In England the people took the matter into their own hands. They agitated everywhere, in school and public meetings, as to the dangers of drinking. There they had secured a large following. It was found very difficult to carry out extreme measures in the United Kingdom, particularly in large cities. However, he held that in India the ground was freer for temperance measures than it was in England, because he found that the sentiment of the whole Indian people of whatever religion was in favour of temperance. Mr. Smith was glad to see that the Bengal Legislature had been recently asked to pass an Act which would forbid the sale of drink to children under fourteen years of age, and prevent women from serving liquor at the bars. He was told that the Bill would probably pass into law. When that was done, he would suggest that a deputation of representative men of the Bombay Presidency should wait upon the Governor of Bombay and press upon him the necessity of passing similar legislation for this Presidency.

Several speakers having addressed the meeting on the subject of temperance a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Smith, and the proceedings terminated, at 7 p.m.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

CARBINE CLUB.

THE following are the 6 best scores in the 15th and 16th Spoon Competition fired for at Santa Cruz on the 18th December 1904:—

Rank and Names.	Rangs scrs. Proper.	Handi-cap.	Total scr.
	500 yds.		
Sergt Instr H Solley	29	–1	28 a
Gr O M P Clyne	29	–1	28 b
Gr E W Grennan	23	+1	24
Sergt H E Brynieg	21	–1	20
Sergt Maj J R Owens	20	..	20
Gr H W Lazelle	18	...	18
	600 yds.		
Sergt Instr H Solley	25	–1	24 a
Sergt H E Brynieg	25	–1	24 b
Gr J Woodall	24	...	24
Gr O M P Clyne	22	–4	18
Sergt Maj J R Owens	19	...	19
Hon J Worrell	17	+3	20

a Winner of 1st Spoon b Winner of 2nd Spoon.

The next Shoot will take place on the 8th January 1905 at 200 and 300 yards score at 300 yards. County for Cup B and Dewar Cups.

MR. LYTTELTON has sent a telegram to the Australian Government stating that he does not anticipate a reply from the German Government as to the trading restrictions in the Marshall Islands for some time, on the ground that the German Government will probably desire to consult the local authorities. The Colonial Secretary adds that the Imperial Government is making every effort to expedite the matter.

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THE SCOTTISH HIGH SCHOOLS.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The annual distribution of prizes to the successful pupils of the Scottish High Schools was held last evening at the Bombay Town Hall, the Honourable Sir James Monteath, Senior Member of Council, presiding. A dais was erected on the eastern and of the hall to which the Chairman on arrival, was conducted by the Honorary Secretary, and proceedings commenced with a prayer, followed by an enjoyable entertainment by the children of the Schools.

THE REPORT.

The report which was then read by the Rev. Alex. Chrichton, the Honorary Secretary, stated among ofter things that the numbers attending each of three schools have considerably increased since the beginning of 1904, and the steady monthly increarse gives good promise of prosperity in the year to come. The Macpherson's Scholarship is available this year and will be awarded to the boy or girl who stands highest in the list of candidates at the Matriculation Examination. The results have not yet been declared. Two Government Scholarships are now held by pupils of the John Connon School. Last year Morris Wood carried off one of those. This year Gertrude Cutteridge gained one offered for competition to European pupils under 12 years of age. The boys play cricket, football and hockey in their several seasons. Hockey is being played just now, and a team is being entered for the ensuing tournament. In the season 23 cricket matches were played, of which the Schools won 10, and lost 10; and 21 were drawn. The boys of the schools who belong to the cadet corps were drilled the whole year through by Military instructors attached to the local Rifle Volunteers. Much inconvenience is caused by the constant changes in the personnel of the instructors. The Principal expresses the hope that the Military authorities will see their way to making a slight alterations in existing regulation to remedy this. Balfour is the best shot of all the cadets who competed for prizts at the last meeting of the Rifle Association. He has again won the silver medal of the Association, this time the senior. Several changes have occurred in the staff mainly in the direction of strengthening it. Several former students are prosecuting their studies at the local colleges and the pass lists of of the Higher University Examinations show that they are taking honorable places. Others are studying at home. One of these recently took a double first at Cambride where he topped the list in the Historical Tripos. He is now working for the Indian Civil service. Another old boy and Macpherson Scholar has, after a successful career at College both in India and in England, lately passed into the Indian Civil Service. Special thanks are due to Mr. J. P. Watson for the kind help he has given towards the formation of a School Library. Thanks are also due to the ladies and gentlemen who have presented special prizes. In conclusion the Principal expresses his obligations to the several members of the staff for the able assistance they had rendered throughout the year. Mr. Lory, Educational Inspector, Northern Division says of the Byculla School that under the Principalship of Mr. Wilkilson the condition of the School has been materially improved. "There are clear signs he says, that activity prevails and that every attempt has been made to revivify the work and the general life of the School. The numbers have now risen to 38 which is considerably higher than they have been at any time during the year. There are therefore, I hold, reasons to suppose that the School may yet regain the high position it formerly held among the European Schools of Bombay. In regard to John Connon School which occupies the larger part of the Principal's time and where the number of pupils is somewhat greater Dr. Lory draws attention to the excellence of the accomodation, to the provision made for sport, as well as to the good discipline and general behaviour of the children. Miss Ashworth, Inspectress of Girls' Schools, reports very favourably on the Colaba School. "The school" she says "is still in a tantative stage, but I see no reason why if the present staff remains permanent, it should not develop into a very useful preparatory school, and it is evident that there is need for such a school in this locality." The Committee desire to take this opportunity of publicly thanking Mr. Wilkinson for his self-denying efforts on behalf of all the departments of the school work. They congratulate him most heartily on the measure of success that has attended his labours and they look forward with confidence to the future of the Schools under his Principalship. Miss Evans reports that Mrs Watson kindly examined the sewing in John Connon School. The efforts of the girls have been entirely devoted to good plain needlework, with excellent results. Mr. Watson's appreciative report was borne out by the Inspector who also spoke favourably of the sewing. Miss Evans desires to thank Mr. Chappell for her advice and assistance in getting the children's frocks for their character songs and also all the parents and friends who helped with the school entertainment, as well as the teachers who worked so willingly to make it a success.

Mr. D. M. Inglis, President of the Committee, then explained at some length the progress of the schools, after which Mr Inglis handed the prizes to the successful students.

THE CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS.

Sir James Monteath made an elequent speech, dwelling in his opening remarks on the rapid strides made by Scottish Educational Societies throughout the world, and in particular by the Bombay Scottish Educational Society. He then went on eulogising the efficient work of the staff. There are few parts of the world, the speaker urged, where Scotchmen were not to be found, and wherever they were, their ambition helped them to rise in most instances to the highest standard of society. Wherever a Scotchmen settled down after leaving his own native land, they invariably at once set to work providing a sufficient education for their children and the children of those with whom they were associated. There was no country in the world where education was more highly appreciated in Scotland. There have been improved methods adopted all over, but none so unique as in Scottish institutions. Free judgment was an essential in the advance of education and this the Scottish Institutions could always boast of. The Chairman then commented at some length on the advantageous methods of training adopted by Scottish Institutions in India and other places. Continuing, he said, he regretted the recent check in the progress of this Institution on account of plague, but he was glad on the other hand to note that the influences don't appear lasting. The speaker then alluded to the successes of the ex-students as mentioned in the report which success is indeed a happy augury. Three schools are now maintained by the Society and all hold high places among the institutions organized for moral training in this city. In referring to physical training, Sir James said that he, like the Rev. Scott who spoke at the distribution of prizes to the Scottish Orphanage the other day, was of opinion that physical training was taking too prominent a part in Educational institutions. Any excess of physical training, he urged, tended in some instances to mar University progress. The training was indeed an essential in all spheres of life, but not to too great an extent. In conclusion, the Chairman said he hoped that the promise for future greater prospects of the schools would be amply fulfilled.

A vote of thanks and cheers for the Chairman, Mrs. Inglis, and the President of the Association terminated the proceedings

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An Australian official in London informed a representative of the "Standard" that the amendment by Mr. Bruce Smith in the Federal House of Representatives to permit Japanese to land in Australia is a mere party manœuvre. He said:—"No one attaches much importance to the amendment, which is probably an obstructionist measure. These motions have been placed before the various Governments before, but nothing comes of them. The case is much stronger now in favour of the admission of Japanese, since that country became the ally of Great Britain, but I fear, the temper of the Australian people is against an alteration of the Immigration Restriction Act. The prejudice against the admision of Asiatic races is very definite, and although it may be wrong to place Japan under disabilities, it is felt that it would be wrong to overrun Australia with the poorer classes of any nation, ally or not. Asiatics are objected to on the mail-carrying steamers, and Sir E. Barton has said that he preferred foreign to black labour. The Act was meant to save Australia from the Chinese; but the close interpretation of its clauses may become mischievous in the future. The Labour Party are pushing the law to extremes, and production is reduced to that of white men only That cannot go on indefinitely, as Australia is crying out for men. An unpopulated Northern Australia is dangerous to defence. Restricted admission of Japanese might be allowed with advantage. The Government has relaxed the law to admit Indians of recognised status; probably the merchants, students, and travellers of Japan could have the same privilege. But, of course, immigratoni must have elaborate restrictions for every colour."

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SOLDIERS AND A BICYCLE.

CHARGE OF BREACH OF TRUST.

YESTERDAY afternoon at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. Kersandas Chabildas, Third Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Jones, with Sub-Inspector Bodley charged Private Percy Freeman of the Royal Garrison Artillery and Private Edward Lloyd of the Second Yorkshire Regiment, stationed at Colaba, the first with committing criminal breach of trust in respect of a bicycle belonging to one Noor Mahomed who has a cycle-shop at the Colaba Bazaar Road, and the second with voluntarisy assisting the first accused in disposing of the stolen property knowing the some to have been stolen. To watch the case, Captain J. A. D. Langhorne R. G. A. and Lieutenant C. C. Stewert 2nd Yorkshire Regiment were present in Court.

Inspector Jones stated that the accused No. 1 had his discharge ticket written for the same day that the offence was committed, and therefore he had finished with the regiment.

In the Court it was asserted that first accused was not really discharged from his regiment until he went to England. From the evidence of several witnesses for the prosecution it appeared that accused No. 1 went at about half past one o'clock on Friday last to the complainant's shop and there asked for a cycle on hire for a two-hour-ride. A cycle was given him and the accused paid in advance twelve annas to the brother of the complainant and signed a receipt for the cycle. He also signed the counterfoil which was to be given to him when he returned. The cycle was not returned, and a complaint was lodged with the military police. The city police were also informed and the bicycle was recovered from a cycle-shop-keeper in Kalbadevi to whom both the accused had sold it for Rs. 50 representing that the cycle was theirs. The first accused got Rs. 20 and the second accused got Rs. 30.

The accused No. 1 in his defence said he did not know the brother of the complainant who swore in Court that he had given him the cycle on hire, nor had he ever seen him before. He had not signed the receipt book nor the counterfoil. He had not been to the complainant's shop an Friday last, nor paid his representative the twelve annas. It was with the second accused that he went to the Kalbadevi cycle-shop to sell the cycle, which the second accused told him was hired by him, but as he wanted money they sold it, with this statement, he pleaded not guilty.

Accused No. 2 pleaded guilty to the charge of committing criminal breach of trust in respect of the cycle though that charge was not preferred against him. He said that with accused No. 1 he went into the canteen for a drink. He told accused No. 1 that he wanted to hire a cycle, but that he had no money. The first accused replied he would go and get some, when they got two rupees and exchanged their uniforms, accused No. 1 dressing in number two's uniform and vice versa. He (the accused No. 2) then in the first accused's uniform went to the complainant's shop and took the machine on hire, paid twelve anna's for it signed the receipt and the counterfoil in the first accused's name and took the cycle away. He said he hired the machine with the intention of selling it to buy drink. They both went to the Kalbadevi shop and there sold the cycle for Rs. 50, Rs.30 of which went to him and the rest went to the first accused.

Inspector Jones said accused No. 2 had hitherto borne a very good character.

The Magistrate :—He has told an absolute lie in his defence to save the accused No. 1

Accused No.2 pleaded for mercy and asked to be let off with a fine. Lieutenant Stewert put in a good word for accused No. 2 saying he was known to be an honest man and bore hitherto an excellent character.

The Magistrate in disposing of the case remarked that had the accused No. 2 refrained from telling a falsehood to the Court in trying to save accused No. 1, he would have escaped easily. If he had simply admitted the mere fact of disposing of the property without having known the same to have been stolen, he would not have had to take the consequences which he would now have to. From his own statement it was clear that he was an accomplice with accused No. 1, and therefore he had to thank himself for what punishment awaited him. With regard to the accused, his Worship convicted the first accused and sentenced him to three months' hard labour, while the second accused was fined Rs. 100 or with the alterative of six weeks' rigorous imprisonment. In case the fine was realised Rs. 50 were ordered to be given to the Kalbadevi shop-keeper by way of compensation :

THE WEATHER.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

SIMLA, DEC. 21.

Wednesday.—Pressure has risen slightly in Gujarat and the West Peninsula and briskly on his Coromandal Coast. It has fallen slightly to briskly in the United Provinces, Bihar and Chota Nagpur. The depression in the Bay has decreased in intensity, and has at the same time extended northwards It has given rain in the East Peninsula and a few light falls have occurred the Central India platea and the adjacent districts. Masulipatam reports 3 inches, Nellore Madras and Trincmalee one inch, Nowgong Kotah half an inch. The weather is mare settled in Kashmir where thebarometer has risen and cloud has decreased. Rain will probably continue in the East Peninsula, and local falls are probable Central parts of India.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M. ON WEDNESDAY, THE 21ST DECEMBER.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has fallen briskly at Cawnpore and has risen briskly at Negapatam and has changed irregularly and by small amounts elsewhere, The barometer is in excess of normal to the north of latitude 25° and generally below it to its south.

Winds are very variable in direction and the force has been strong in Cutch and at Madras and moderate to light elsewhere.

Temperature.—The greatest variations are :—Maximum 5° to 12° in defect of normal at Masulipatam, Madras, Cuddapah, Ratnagiri, Surat, Bhuj, Jaipur, Ajmer, Jhansi, Agra, Delhi, and Sirsa and 5° in excess at Poona and Khandwa; minimum 5° to 10° in excess in Berar, at most stations in the Central Provinces, over the greater part of the Decan and at Bellary, Hyderabad (Deccan), Mangalore, Surat, Indore, Bhavnagar Para, Ajmer, Allahabad, Jhansi, and Cawnpore, and 6° in defect at Karachi. The highest temperature in the shade was 91° at Cochin and the lowest 36° at Jacobabad.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is cloudy to overcast in the United Provinces and at Ajmer, Ahmedabad, Neemuch, Saugor, Jubbalpore, Khandwa, Raipur Malegaon Cochin, Bangalore, Cuddapah, Madras, Coimbatore, Masulipatam, Trichinopoly, Negapatam and Colombo.

Rain.—Heavy rain has fallen at Masulipatam (3·05"), and light or moderate showers at Colombo Negapatam, Trichinopoly Madras, Cuddapah Saugor, Indore, Jhansi, Cawnpore and Agra.

Weather.—The small depression which was off Negapatam in the Bay has disappeared but weather is still favourable for local showers in the Madras Presidency, in the United and Central Provinces local showers are also likely.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague Attack.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade ...	0	0	8
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri ...	7	6	17
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada ...	5	3	21
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Malabar Hill ...	3	2	16
E Mazagon, Tarwady, and Nagapada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagapada ...	3	3	30
F Parel, Sewree and Sion ...	0	0	3
G Mahim and Worli ...	0	0	6
Water Division ...	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown ...	0	0	0
Hospitals ...	0	3	19
Total ...	18	17	110
Total plague deaths to date ...	277,874	230,0-1	91
Same date last year ...	8	7	

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THE NATIVE PRESS.

H. H. LADY LAMINGTON.

Referring to the Brief lucidity of H, E, Lady Lamington's speech at the Bombay Exhibition, the "Indian spectators" remarks : Lady Lamington's speech at the opening ceremony of the Ladies section of the Exhibition was the most eloquent we have seen reported for many a long day, in that it was the most honest public utterance of the kind and also the most sincere. Viceroys and governors often speak for the occasion and for the audience, and claim credit for the sacrifice of their time and strength. Lady Lamington would have none of the flummeries. It was neither the heat nor the shortness of time that prevented her from making a set speech : Her Excellency did not say much because she could not. And yet the little she did say proceeded from her heart to the hearts of the auditors, and was the better appreciated for its prompt and direct brevity. Diplomatists and professional speech-makers may well take a hint from this.

ARTS AND INDUSTRIES BEFORE POLITICS.

The Congress has after all placed the horse before the cart, says the "Rast Goftar." Our contemporary adds:—The Bombay Industrial Exhibition has been a great success from the point of view of a display of arts and industries. Khan Bahadur Muncherjee Murzban and the Hon. Mr. Vithuldas Damoder Thackersey deserve the main credit for the show. The exhibition has been started under the auspices of the Indian National Congress, and that body will serve the country better if it will direct its efforts in the promotion and dissemination of arts and industries much more than politics. The Indian Congress has been agitating in respect of politics for the last nineteen years, and with what result? "The Amrita Bazaar Patrika," one of their own organs, has been writing a series of articles against the Congress methods and agitation, the arguments advanced by the paper being almost the same as were urged in these columns, and against which the Patrika and its contemporaries in all parts of India were at one time strenuously opposed. The Congress organs now affirm every word of what was stated by us all these years by way of setting them on the right track. We are glad that better counsels have since prevailed, and the Congress by opening the Industrial Exhibition, prior to their holding the political meeting, has shown that the horse is after all placed before the cart, and not the cart before the horse, as it was doing until very recently.

AN INDICTMENT OF LORD CURZON.

The "Kaiser-i-Hind" is not an admirer of Lord Curzon's administration. It thus winds up a long critique upon it : It is beginning to be asked in all intelligent and enlightened quarters whether Lord Curzon really means to strengthen the British Indian Empire? Is he really endeavouring to make the foundations of the Government stronger? The whirligig of Time would show it. But before it be too late, let us hope that the British nation will be aroused and made keenly alive to the impending contingency. For what are the signs that have made themselves most visible during Lord Curzon's Viceroyalty? Has he not alienated that deep attachment and love to British rule, generated by a policy of justice and sympathy for well nigh a hundred years? Has he not instilled distrust of Government among the princes and the people by his many viceregal acts? Has he not devised measures, open or insidious whereby he has deprived them of their past heritage and reduced them to the condition of vassals and helots? Is India, in short, to be governed by irresponsible autocracy such as is wielded by Lord Curzon, or is it to be governed by the same wise and liberal statesmanship which laid deep the foundations of the empire? These are the questions of the day. They are not put by Indians alone.

CONTRIBUTION TO MAHOMEDAN EDUCATION.

The "Indian Spectator" thus notices H. H. the Aga Khan's recent enhanced contribution to Mahomedan Education : There is nothing to wonder at in H. H. the Aga Khan increasing his annual grant of Rs. 3,000 to the Anjuman-i-Islam, Bombay, to Rs. 5,000, in course of an interview with Mr. Budruidin Tyabji. We fancy His Highness needed very little persuasion from the veteran educationist to do this. And if leaders of the Khoja community could only impress it upon their people that education is their best chance in the race of life, we have very little doubt that the enlightened head of the community would provide all the necessary facilities for them. The Aga Khan's offer of such provision has awaited acceptance, we believe, for years. Let the enterprising Khojas see that sound education will prove a spur as well as a shield to their natural enterprise.

THE PLAGUE PROPHYLACTIC MYSTERY SOLVED.

The "Indian Spectator" observes :—The cause of the Malkowal tragedy is at last made public, and the delay in publishing the conclusions of the Commission of investigation is also accounted for. The Commission found that the Director of the Plague Research Laboratory had on his own authority adopted a new method of preparing the inoculating fluid differing from Haffkine's and that the omission of carbolic acid from this fluid as a precaution against contamination was a grave mistake. Such a conclusion could not be published, in fairness to the Director, without its validity being confirmed by experiment. Independent inquirers were, therefore asked for to find out by experiment the effect of the omission of carbolic acid. The experiments conducted in India having confirmed the finding of the Commission, the opinion of the experts of the Lister Institute in London was finally sought. They also agreed as to the value of the addition of carbolic acid. The omission on the part of the Director of the Plague Institute was only a negative cause of the results which attended the use of the new fluid, which on other respects has been pronounced to be as efficacious as the standard fluid. The positive defect of the fluid was its contamination by spores of tetanus. Where and how the bottle became contaminated remains a mystery, and thus the responsibility for the primary cause of the misfortune has been brought home to no one. The responsibility for having omitted to take a precaution which would have neutralised the contamination must rest with the Director of the Plague Institute—not that he was negligent in the discharge of his duty, but he did not possess the same knowledge of the consequences of an omission, which experts have now acquired by subsequent experiments.

INDIAN CROP PROSPECTS.

BENGAL WINTER RICE.

The final forcast of the winter rice crop of Bengal 1904, is as follows :—

The ante-monsoon showers were below the normal except in North and East Bengal. In April also the rainfall in those parts was heavy, but moderate elsewhere. In the following month, it was above the normal throughout the Province except Orissa. The fall in June was deficient in North and East Bengal, heavy in Chota Nagpur and Orissa, and almost normal in other parts of the Province. The deficit in Orissa continued through July, although everywhere else it was copious and general. In August, Orissa got its normal rainfall. Patna and Chota Nagpur Division as well as the districts of Bhagalpur and Monghir got an excess, but the fall in the remaining districts was much below the normal of that month. The rainfall in the following two months was very low, and from the middle of September to the middle of October there were scarcely any good showers anywhere. There was good rain, however, in Behar in the latter part of October which saved the crop to a great extent. There was a flood in East Bengal in November which did considerable damage to the standing crops, while the rest of the Province continued to suffer from the drought. On the whole the season has been an unfavourable one for the winter rice crop of the province.

Since the issue of the preliminary fore cast, the District officers of the 24 Parganas, Nadia and Balasore have submitted revised figures of normal area, and the total normal area under this crop in the Province now stands at 30,782,600 acres against 30,554,600 acres reported last year. The area actually under winter rice this year is estimated at 30,211, 900 acres. The estimate of normal area is based upon ascertained data in only 21 districts which have been surveyed wholly or to a great extent and whose normal acreage under this crop is 8,763,725 acres, and the actual area under the crop this year in those districts is estimated at 8,827,108 acres.

Out of the 45 districts in the Province, only six (viz., Dacca 110 per cent., Mymensingh 110 per cent., Rajshahi 100 per cent., Faridpur 100 per cent., Tippera 100 per cent., and Bhagalpur 100 per cent.), report a crop of 100 per cent. or over. In 11 districts, namely, 24-Parganas, Khulna, Darjeeling, Rangpur, Patna, Backergunge, Noakhali, Chittagong, Saran, Darbhanga, and Balasore, the crop is estimated at between 90 and 99 per cent. The estimate in 22 districts varies between 70 to 89 per cent. in 5 others it from 60 to 69 per cent., while Nadia, with 59 per cent., shows the smallest outturn of all Since the submission of the preliminary forecast the prospects of the crop have improved in seven districts, deteriorated in 29, and have remained stationary in the remaining 9.

Accepting the estimates of the district officers as correct, the outturn of the crop for the Province as a whole works out to 88 per cent. of a normal crop. The gross outturn on 30,217,900 acres may thus amount to 283,391,700 cwts. against 271,721,000 cwts. finally estimated in 1903.

HOME REMITTANCES.

The Treasury, Calcutt., 19th December, 1904.

The Weekly Memorandum of Remittances to the Home Treasury by Bengal Chandigarh is :—

1	Amount to be remitted during 1904-05 ...	£16,500,000
2	Remitted from 1st April 1904 to 17th Dec. 1904 by Council Bills ...	£15,215,562
1	Balance to be remitted from 18th Dec. 1904 to 31st March 1905 ...	£1,284,438

AUSTRALIAN MAIL SERVICE.

FORTNIGHTLY INSTEAD OF WEEKLY.

THERE is likely to be a great deal of trouble very soon over the Australian mail service. The existing contracts with the chief steamship companies—the P. and O. and the Orient—which convey the mails, expire at the end of January next, and the arrangements for the future are in a most unsatisfactory state.

It is considerably over a year since the question was first raised. Shortly before Mr. Chamberlain quitted office he reminded the Australian Government of the necessity for considering the renewal of the contract, and he suggested that the matter should be dealt with in conjunction with the China mail service contract, which was then being discussed by the Imperial Government. The Australian Government did not see its way to enter into negotiations immediately, and from time to time announced further postponements in response to subsequent reminders. When at last the Federal Government took up the question, it issued the famous declaration that it could not renew the contract unless black labour was abolished on the ships which carried the mails. To this attitude it adhered despite the arguments of the shipping companies, who refused to comply with the demand.

The next development was the decision of the Australian Government to institute an independent service. Tenders were invited, but none of the offers were acceptable. Delay followed upon delay, until the Imperial Government became impatient, and in the interests of the Colony itself fixed up a contract with the P. and O. Company to carry the mails to and from Australia for three years for a subsidy to be paid by the British Government alone. The contract, however, provides only a fortnightly service. At present there is a weekly service both ways, the mails being taken by a P. and O. steamer one week, and by an Orient boat the other.

Failing to establish a regular alternate service so as to continue the weekly despatch of mails, the Federal Government has found a way out of the difficulty which it believes will answer equally well. Under a very old British Act of Parliament ships are compelled to carry mails between Great Britain and any of her Colonies, the remuneration being in accordance with the quantity carried. The Australian Government, taking advantage of the provisions of this Act, with some changes of its own, has decided to ship the mails on the alternate weeks at "poundage rates," as payment by weight is called.

"That is a most unsatisfactory arrangement," said the secretary of one of the large mail-carrying companies to our representative, "as it is bound to lead to an incalculable amount of inconvenience and loss to the trading community. The Act of which the Australian Government has availed itself in order to get out of a difficulty which is of their own making is quite inapplicable to present-day conditions. It was passed primarily for the purpose of compelling the sailing ships of the olden days to take out despatches to the few British Colonies which Great Britain then possessed. The mails, which were all contained in one small bag as a rule, were entrusted to the care of the captain who was responsible to the Government for their safe delivery, and who received the whole of the remuneration allowed. It was as it was intended to be, a transaction between the Government and the captain, and had nothing to do with the owners. In those days no special provision was made on the ship for the mails, which were generally placed in the captain's cabin. Nowadays a large part of a mail steamer has to be specially constructed for the conveyance of tons of mails, and elaborate precautions have to be taken for their safety. It is unreasonable to expect a steamship company to carry mails by modern methods under conditions of a hundred years ago. Strictly speaking, moreover, the captain and not the company should receive the money if we are to work under the old Act."

"How is the trading community to suffer?"

"Under the contract which is now expiring the shipping companies were obliged to run a regular weekly service. The dates had to be strictly adhered to, and heavy penalties were inflicted if the contract was violated in any way. It was very often the case that a ship which was only half full of cargo on the appointed day could, by waiting another twenty-four hours, have got a full cargo. Still if had to go, and it meant a big loss for which, taking all the year round, the subsidy did not compensate. Frequently also ships had to go hundreds of miles to a port simply to land the mails. Without a subsidy and bound by no contract, it is not for a moment to be expected that a shipping company will conform to the old arrangements. The result will be that the alternate service will be so irregular and uncertain as to be worthless to business people both in England and in Australia. Ports will be called at or missed as the passengers and cargo dictate, and if a cargo does not justify a sailing it will be cancelled.

"For all practical purposes, therefore, the mail service to and from Australia after the end of January, will be a fortnightly one instead of the present weekly service unless the Australian Government makes some better arrangements than it seems to contemplate."—"St. James's."

GENERAL FRENCH AND THE ESSEX MANŒUVRES.

CRITICISMS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

A COPY of Lieut.-General Sir John French's report to the War Office on the work of the Blue Force during the autumn manœuvres has just been issued to all the officers in the Aldershot command. In this report Sir John does not deal with the actual operations after landing, but only with the work accomplished in getting to the scene of operations and returning to Aldershot.

General French deplores the fact that the place of landing was definitely settled beforehand, as it left no scope for choice of another point or for a feint at some place other than Clacton. This and the large areas placed out of bounds mitigated seriously against introducing into the work the service conditions so much desired.

CRITICISMS.

With regard to the work of disembarkation and re-embarkation, General French says that about double the number of horse-boats available could have been used to much advantage. The horses of the staff officers were not landed early enough. Great inconvenience and delay was caused in some instances by wagons being separated from their poles and other parts. These should have been attached on board, so as to ensure their being landed at the same time as the wagons. A similar difficulty occurred in more than one instance in harness being sent ashore in different boats from those containing the horses.

Referring to the stampede of the horses at Southampton, he calls attention to the serious necessity for new regulations for the picketing of horses. He also complains of the high prices charged for extras obtained from the canteens on board ship.

The smokeless powder for the artillery was not altogether satisfactory. It ignited sometimes without exploding, and was not sufficiently smokeless.

HOW THE CYCLISTS ARE HANDICAPPED.

The work of the cyclists is spoken of in warm praise. A corps of fifty military cyclists was attached to headquarters, and their services were of great value. They were disembarked early, and were pushed on ahead of the infantry and cavalry, and under cover of darkness they blocked the roads successfully in face of superior numbers. Their scouts penetrated the screen of the opposing cavalry, and obtained good information of the general dispositions of the enemy's forces. They were employed day and night, and his opinion is that their value was due to the system and carefulness of their training. One of the great obstacles in the way of this service is the fact that the men are unwilling to take their own bicycles on manœuvres, as the Government allowance is inadequate to meet the wear and tear.

CABLE WAGONS USEFUL.

The telegraph sections did excellent work. They used the new cable cart, which worked well, laying eighty-two miles of cable, and the men were employed constantly day and night. The General adds that, "as telegraph communication will play a great role in future wars, I consider that the personnel and number of cable wagons requires considerable increase."

General French advocates the further trial of four horsed vehicles with cobs in transport, as they proved very useful as compared with pair-horsed transport and would be specially useful with cavalry columns.

PRAISE FOR THE MEN.

Of the infantry General French says that their marching and cheeriness deserved his highest commendation. The health of the troops was good the number of men falling out or requiring medical treatment being far less than had been anticipated though the work done by some of the regiments was at times very severe for young soldiers who were in a majority in all except the Guards battalions. With regard to discipline, the General says he has nothing but praise for the uniform good conduct that the troops displayed. The men well maintained the good name of the British soldier, both in their military discipline and in their relations with the civil population.

SECRET OF THE SUN.

NEW DISCOVERY IN SOLAR PHYSICS.

"MAGNETIC STREAMS."

AT a meeting of the British Astronomical Association at Sion College Mr. E. Walter Maunder, of Greenwich Observatory, described a discovery he has made with regard to the relation between sun spots and magnetic disturbances on the earth which promises greatly to advance our knowledge of the mysterious interior of the sun and to help in the settlement of other obscure points in solar physics.

A "magnetic storm" is a sudden disturbance in that mysterious flow of influence round the surface of our globe which causes the mariner's compass to point north and south. Sometimes the needles all over the world seem to receive a sudden twitch or jerk, which sets them oscillating violently, and for hours or even days, they behave in a most hysterical fashion, and swing about as if they are mad before settling down and pointing to the north again. These invisible storms or commotions have nothing to do with the weather, which may be fair or foul, but sometimes they make telegraphic communication impossible, and even affect our electric trams and lighting. Occasionally a brilliant display of the aurora borealis shows that something unusual is occurring in the heavens.

For long it has been more than suspected that sun spots have something to do with magnetic storms, but no one could quite trace the connection. Sometimes we had big sun spots and no magnetic storms, sometimes vice versa. Lord Kelvin a dozen years ago said what looked like the last word on the subject. He declared that there could be no causal relation between the two phenomena. Reasoning a priori, he pointed out that as any magnetic influence from the sun must in the nature of things radiate in all directions like light and heat, the influence of the sun spot on the magnetic needle here might wax and wane, but could not arrive with the sudden twitch characteristic of the magnetic storm.

In substance Mr. Maunder's theory is that the force which suddenly agitates the earth is not a radiation at all, but a stream of attenuated matter like a comet's tail, or of electrically-charged particles, shot out from the sunspot like a geyser, or the water from a fireman's hose. Flying upward from the surface of the spinning sun, this "stream" rushes out into space in the form of a great Catherine-wheel, or invisible watch-spring spiral. When the stream happens to strike the earth then we see the aerial fireworks in the upper air overhanging the pole of this earth-magnet of ours, and our compasses and telegraph-needles jump with excitement. Thus Lord Kelvin's reasoning is correct, but does not apply to the present set of phenomena.

We have given Mr. Maunder's conclusion; now for his method. He carefully marked out the time of hundreds of magnetic storms, and found that some corresponded with big sunspots, and some did not. In vain he tried to find a correspondence with the faculæ, or flocks of boiling fire on the sun's surface, and with the "prominences." At last he noticed that there was frequently a series of magnetic storms at intervals of 27 1-3 days. Sometimes there was no storm at the end of this period, but the storm was repeated after exactly two or three of such intervals. Now, this time—27 1-3 days—is just the time taken for a point on the sun to go once round and appear opposite the earth again. It is the rotation-period of the sun as viewed from our moving planet.

In this remarkable discovery Mr. Maunder found explanations of many difficulties. The storm arrives generally about 25 hours after the sunspot points fairly and squarely at us, presumably that is the time taken by the stream of uprushing particles to reach this planet. But though the storm comes again and again after the sunspot vanishes, it is generally just at the time when the place where the sunspot was is passing. The sunspot has gone, but the stream of magnetic commotion is still flying out from the same point on the sun's surface.

More than this, and still more remarkable. There are certain favourite points on the sun for these sunspots and the magnetic streams which continue after they have vanished. A point on the 222nd degree of the sun's longitude is a centre of such disturbances, and magnetic storms constantly arrive when this point faces the earth. This fact points to definite permanent structure in the sun. It cannot be merely a churning mass of fire if it has volcanic regions which never change their situation.

Mr. Maunder concluded this most interesting and suggestive lecture by showing eclipse photographs by Mrs. Maunder and others, in which the long rays of the sun's corona and the outsweeping waves of light from whose crest they appeared to be flung off, were certainly analogous to the stream lines of magnetic force or particles which he suggests as the origin of terrestrial disturbance.

THE LONDON AND PARIS EXCHANGE COLLAPSE.

WINDING-UP PETITIONS.

TALK OF CONVERSION INTO A PUBLIC COMPANY.

THE committee formed by members of the Stock Exchange interested in the matter sat to-day, and arrived at a decision favourable to the continuance of the business, being satisfied with the proposal laid before them. A meeting will be held to-morrow, at which the report of the committee will be presented, and there is now every prospect of a satisfactory termination of the difficulties.

The above announcement was issued on December 1st by the committee of five representing the Stock Exchange creditors of the London and Paris Exchange (Ltd.), which closed its doors on the afternoon of the 30th November. The result has been that a more hopeful feeling prevails, and it is believed that business will be resumed within a few days—some fix the date as Monday next. It is also stated that the efforts which were made during yesterday to obtain the necessary financial help met with considerable success. While it is next to impossible to obtain any detailed information, it seems pretty certain that about £80,000 to £85,000 is required to provide for immediate requirements. The Stock Exchange creditors, who number about 50, are not believed to represent more than £30,000.

MR. MANDEVILLE AT WORK.

Upon inquiry at the head offices, Basildon House Moorgate-street, it was stated there was every indication that the expectation of the company being in a position to meet its liabilities and of resuming business on the 4th would be realised. At the same time, it was intimated that nothing definite upon the point could be stated until after the meeting of the Stock Exchange creditors with the principals of the firm, Mr. Mandeville, who is the guiding spirit of the company, was early in attendance at his office and was in conference with gentlemen who are associated with the efforts of reconstruction which are being made. Although the clerks had received notice that their services would not be required until four o'clock of the 1st day of December about 150 of them put in an appearance this in the morning, and were allowed to resume work. There have been very few callers up to the present, and all signs of excitement in the vicinity have disappeared. The Press association is requested to state that the reports which have been published of business being transacted at the provincial branches of the company are not correct. The branches have simply remained open, but have not been in a position to accept orders.

A REPORTED PROBABLE CONVERSION.

As we have already mentioned, the issued capital of the Exchange is £100,000, which, from the returns filed at Somerset House, appears to have been paid up in cash. Apart from the seven signatories, the whole of the remaining 99,993 shares are held by a concern called the Brussels Syndicate, Brussels, about which no information is available. Mr. Alexis M. Mandeville is now talking about converting the business into a public company with a capital of a million, if the present difficulties are satisfactorily arranged. It is a brilliant idea but perhaps it may be well to reserve comment on it till it materialises.

PETITIONS FOR COMPULSORY WINDING-UP.

In connection with the suspension of the London and Paris Exchange (Limited), three petitions for the compulsory winding-up of the company have been filed at the Companies' Winding-up Department Bankruptcy Buildings, Carey-street. In each case the hearing has been fixed for December 12. It is understood, however, that these petitions will not be proceeded with in the event of arrangements being made at this afternoon's meeting of Stock Exchange creditors for the resumption of business, as that would necessarily involve all claims being met.

ONE of the most remarkable cases governing the relations between photography and advertisement ever tried before a court of law has just conferred additional fame upon a well-known passing actress, Mdlle. Carlier, who was sued by a leading furrier for £511. The lady did not dispute receipt of the furs, but pleaded that they were gifts to her in consideration of the furrier being permitted to publish photographs of her wearing his goods. One of these portraits was produced, and it contained a dedication by the furrier averring Mdlle. Carlier to be the "daintiest dame in Christendom." Pending these things, the judge has non-suited the furrier, on the ground that £511 is not an unreasonable price to pay for having one's wares displayed to advantage by the "daintiest dame in Christendom."

CENTRAL ASIAN AFFAIRS.

THE BRITISH MISSION TO AFGHANISTAN.

COMMENTING on the British Mission to Afghanistan, the "Russ" says:—Great Britain has chosen a fortunate moment for the Mission. The Ameer, who, like his father, at first distrusted Great Britain, now, under the influence of the war in the Far East, which is certainly presented to him by British agents in special colours, and also of the Thibet expedition and the measures which have been taken by Great Britain in South-East Persia, will receive the mission otherwise than he would have done a year ago. With her pecuniary generosity, her amiable promises to supply arms and ammunition, and her remarkable skill and experience in dealing with Oriental potentates, Great Britain may achieve great results. For this we must be prepared.

The "Birzheviya Viedomosti," in an article on Indian affairs to-day, says :—Afghanistan will never become for Great Britain what Bokhara has been for Russia. The re-organisation of the Indian Army and the hurried departure of Lord Curzon are sickly signs of the times and testify to the fear for India which is entertained in both in Government and other circles in England. If Great Britain, through the intermediary of Japan, tries to destroy the work of Russia in the Far East, the capture of Port Arthur will compel Russia to seek other outlets to the open sea.

PERSIA AND THE POWERS.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the "New York Herald" telegraphs that the Shah of Persia, alarmed at England's constantly sending commercial expeditions to his country, is about to despatch an important diplomatic mission to St. Petersburg headed by Mirza Riza Khan, the Persian ambassador in Constantinople.

THE DALAI LAMA.

According to a telegram from Troitskosavsk (Transbaikala), the Dalai Lama of Tibet yesterday arrived at Urga (Mongolia) where numerous Mongolian priests and many of the inhabitants had assembled to receive him. The Dalai Lama subsequently proceeded to the neighbouring Buddhist monastery of Ghandan.

A New York telegram to the "Daily Telegraph" says :—Great Britain's intentions with regard to Tibet have attracted the careful consideration of the State Department, because of the vital relations which the affairs of that country have to American policy in support of the administrative entity of China. The Washington Government has been informed by Mr. Choate that no policy in contravention of the integrity of China is contemplated by Great Britain.

Mr. F. H. Skrine writes :—The key to Russian policy for three-quarters of a century is to be found in her instinctive craving to burst the barrier of mountains which surrounds the empire. But we headed her off in the Near East in 1854 and 1878. When she sought an outlet in the Middle East, Lord Curzon threw a cold douche on her ambition by declaring that any British statesman who allowed it to be realised would be his country's foe. Then she strove to secure a footing on the Pacific, below the limits of winter ice. Straightway we concluded an alliance with a Power which contests her right to an inch of territory in the warm-water zone.

Having many opportunities of gauging Russian opinion, I would ask permission to warn your readers that the party which believes that England, not Japan, is the enemy, is daily growing stronger. Fuel is added to the flame by the incessant pinpricks administered by Lord Curzon. We have seen his Excellency trailing his coat in Donnybrook Fair fashion in a progress up the Persian Gulf. Then we had the Tibetan mission, which will be writ large in history as a raid. Lastly, we see a "forward policy" in Afghanistan and Western Persia, which has a sinister resemblance to our intermeddling before the disastrous Afghan War of 1878-9. How striking is the contrast between this eagerness to take advantage of Russia's difficulties and the Tsar's attitude towards England during the dark days of 1899! Sounded by a Great Power as to the chances of a joint intervention, he declared that Great Britain should be left to settle her quarrel with Boer Republics unhampered by any interference whatever.

Nothing would surprise me less than an armistice between Russia and Japan. In that event, "K. of K." and "C. of K." may indeed look out for squalls! Regarding the possibility of an invasion of India by the beaten track of former conquest, I would remark that expert opinion as to the capacity of railways to convey troops and munitions has been profoundly modified by Prince Khilkov's feats on the Trans-Siberian line. The Orenburg-Tashkent Railway now links up Russia's European and Asiatic garrisons; while her terminus at Kushk is about 4,000 miles nearer Herat than ours, at Chaman.

No impartial observer can doubt that the mutual intrigues and aggression, which have been the rule in Asia since the date of the Berlin Treaty, are degrading to the dignity of England and Russia alike, and have compromised the future of European influence on that Continent.

HIGH COURT.—DEC. 22.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B TYABJI.

To speak to the minutes of the decree.

515-03—Edgelow and W—Hajee Kasoo Siddok vs Ally Mahomed Jan Mahomed and others—Scrabji and J.

425-04—Captain and V—Sarabai widow vs Rahiabai widow and others—Thakurdas and Co.

Suits for hearing and final disposal, Commercial Causes.

798-01—Captain and V—Chapsey Purbat and other vs Messrs Gill and Co—W G and Co—Part heard.

Long Causes.

539-04—Mulla and M—Haji Noormahomed Cassum Mitha vs Jugmohundas and Bhaisett and others—Payne and Co—(Party decreed.)

137-04—Kanga and G—Velji Hariram and other vs Viram Raisey and another—S B Noble

622-04—Shamrao and M—Kevalchund Bolsnath and anothers vs Gordhandas Mehgroj—Tyabjee D and Co

114-02—Matabhoy J and M—Sonbai widow vs Bharmal Khimji and others—Postonji B and K.

535-24—Matabhoy J and M—Rutton ai widow vs Vithaldas Canji and others—Cragie L and C—Little and Co

112-04—M B Chothia—Framroze Jamshed Aga vs Runchordas Tribhowandas Mody—Payne and Co—For postponement.

377-04—Mulla and M—Rahimtulla Hasanays Memon Ahmed Muja Hasu Maja—Kanga and P

537-04—In person a pauper—PanCoorang Dhondoo Cudoo vs Damodhur Nuthoo Cudoo and others—Dephtary and F

424104—R P Mehta Hiraji Dayaji Mahntre vs Gomiba widow and others—Chitnis and M

662-01—Smetham B and N—Shamoo Khae vs Balaram Sudkoji Bole and others—In person Jamsetji and R

570-04—Smethrm B and N—Saamrao Bhai vs Balaram

777-03—Jamsetjee and R—Pherozshaw Pestonjee Bharucha vs Dinbai widow and another—M and R Vakil.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice RUSSELL.

To speak to the Minutes of the Order.

604-02—Payne and Co—Sadak Hajee Hoosein vs Hajee Hoosein vs Hajee Sulleman Abdul Wahed and others—Edgelow G and W—Little and Co and Smetham B and N.

For Decree Absolute.

730-03—Madhowjee and V—Muljee Shamjee vs Ludkavahoo widow and others Muljee and Co.

479-04—Sorabji and J—Vincent A S Pereira vs Jooquim V Fernandes and others—Daphtary and F

Long Causes.

627-01—Tyabjee D and Co—Chaturbhooj Jewandas and others vs Krishnarao Pandurang and others—S B Noble

486-04—Matubhai J and M—Ramjee Bhugwan and others vs Morrarjee Mohunjee—Tyabjee D and Co—Part heard.

646-01—Tyabji D and Co—Harakhchund Pitamber and others vs Dhokalbhai Pandurung and another—Mirza and M

631-04—Tyabjee D and Co—Luchmi Narayen Pachuram and another vs Jamnadas Hurdayal and others—Wadia and Co.

717-04—Craigie L and D—Narotham Morarjee Gokaldas vs Munchubai Balgovindas—F P Pavri.

715-04—In person—Jamsidas Purshotam vs Hormusjee Sorabjee Mehta and another—K D Shroff

545-01—Kanga and P—Cooverbai widow vs Ardeshir Eduljee Kerkuria—Edgelow G and W.

238-03—Arddshir H D and Co—Wachji Gopaljee and others vs Megbjee Gopal and others—Tyabjee D and Co.

287-03—Kanga and P—Hardatrai Mendram and another vs Gowelbai widow and another—Edgelow G and W.

Before the Hon'ble Mr Justice CHANDAVARKAR.

For review of Judgment.

724-03—Malvi H and M—Peermahomed Dewji vs Mahomed Ebrahim and others—Tyabjee D and Co

Suits

WRITERS AND READERS.

THERE will be a good deal of new verse in the collected edition of Mr. William Watson's poems which Mr. Lane is about to publish. Further, Mr. Watson has so revised some of his earlier work that it practically takes a new shape.

A Golden Treasury edition of the poems of Christina Rossetti is sure of a welcome. Its contents have been chosen by her brother, Mr. W. M. Rossetti, who also provides a preface. The aim has been to include only her best work.

Dr. James Cantlie was a pioneer in the study of physical efficiency and degeneration. Indeed, he is the author of the theory that the Cockney disappears after the third generation. A book on the whole question, which he is writing for Messrs. Putnam, is sure to attract attention. Dr. Cantlie not only has much to say but he has the gift of saying it brightly.

A fiscal book Messrs Black are about to publish treats the subject from a distinctive standpoint. This is indicated in the title, "Progress and the Fiscal Problem," which the author, Mr. Thomas Kirkup, gives it. In other words, he studies the fiscal question in connection with our progress as a nation and a race. He regards it not merely as a technical matter for the economist, but as a broad theme of social and Imperial progress.

The Christmas book trade has scarcely made itself felt yet, and indeed it seems to begin later every year. Why this should be it is hard to say, but booksellers would gladly have the rush spread over a greater time. At the moment they have leisure and to spare, but by the second week of December every minute of the day will be occupied. It remains to be seen how far the overturn, from then onward to Christmas, will atone for a rather slack autumn.

The silent navy is finding its tongue, or rather its pen, and a bibliography of naval literature is a good idea. In fact, it seems strange that at present there should be nothing to which the naval officer can turn for information regarding naval writings. A bibliography of the sort is to be issued gradually in connection with the Royal Naval List. It will give the names of the earlier books and group later ones into classes, as for example, annals and biographies.

A book about the region which was once the Forest of Arden has its own particular interest. Documents relating to Lapworth, in Warwickshire have been preserved in the parish chest there for centuries. A volume that is based upon them has been written by Mr. Robert Hudson, who was a resident of Lapworth for nearly forty years. It will be published at once by Messrs. Methuen, under the title, Memorials of a Warwickshire Parish.

A series of little-known sixteenth-century drawings of Roman buildings is being published by Messrs Macmillan. They are attributed to Andreas Coner, and they are preserved in the Soane Museum, Lincoln's-inn-fields. They furnish valuable and often unique records of building which have disappeared. Their importance, indeed, is such that it was thought best to publish the whole of them in facsimile. There is a commentary by Mr. T. Ashby, of the British School at Rome.

Some people have supposed that the Boer Church has taken little interest in the evangelisation of the African native. A book which the Revell Company is just publishing will enable this view to be corrected. It is a description of the mission work of the Dutch Reformed Church, by the Rev. J. du Plessis, who, as mission secretary, has travelled. A Thousand Miles in the Heart of Africa, Professor Marias, of the Theological Seminary, Stellenbosch contributes an introduction to the book.

In his Gladstone, Mr. Morley commends an old book for its picture of the Southern States of America just before the Civil War. It is called A Journey in the Seaboard Slave States, and it was written in the year 1855 by an observant American, Mr. Frederick Law Olmsted. It has occurred to Messrs. Putnam that a reprint of the book might be useful now, and they have just issued one in two volumes. Events, like those dealt with, which lie between the points of history and memory, are often hazy in the public mind.

To most musical people Alessandro Scarlatti is little more than a name, and even musical historians have been singularly cautious in their references to him. He is, however, an important figure in the history of music, thanks to his influence on the style of Handel, Bach, Haydn, Mozart, and Beethoven. A biography of him, which Mr. Arnold is to publish this week, will, therefore, be welcome. It is by Mr. E. J. Dent, of King's College, Cambridge, and much of the information in it has been derived from hitherto unpublished diaries and letters.

A new serial story by Mr. H. C. Bailey will begin to appear in the "Monthly Review," which is now edited by Mr. Charles Hanbury-Williams.—A Grammer of Greek Art by Professor Percy Gardner is being issued by Messrs. Macmillan in their series of Handbooks of Archæology and Antiquities.—Sir Alfred Lyall has nearly finished the official biography of the late Marquis of Dufferin, and Mr. Murray hopes to publish it in January. It promises to be a very interesting book.—Mr. Sidney Appleton is publishing a book entitled Multiple Personality, which is an investigation into the nature of human individuality. It is by Dr. Boris Sidis, of Harvard, and Dr. Goodhart, of Yale. An English translation of M. Henri de Noussanne's Le Veritable Guillaume II. is to be published by Messrs Putnam. It is a serious criticism of the Emperor as man and ruler.—The first half of Dr. Moffatt's translation of Professor Harnack's Expansion of Christianity in the first Three Centuries, is about to be published by Messrs. Williams and Norgate.

The obituary list includes two very well-known Oxford names—those of Dr. Thomas Fowler, of Corpus, familiar to generations of undergraduates as Tommy Fowler, and of the Rev. A. Watson, of Brasenose. The "Times" speaks of Watson's Select Letters of Cicero as the scare of generations of candidates for honours. Dr. Fowler was best known to us by his edition of Bacon's NovumOrganum, and his books on Deductive and Inductive Logic. His chief original work was The Principles of Morals, though it is said that that it owed much to another thinke.

Mr. Belt's aim endowing a Professorship of Colonial History at Oxford is to promote a better knowledge of the subject among the students of the University, and more especially among those who, under the provisions of Mr Rhodes's will, come to Oxford from all parts of the Empire. I called attention some weeks ago to Prof. Firth's observations in his inaugural lecture on this lacuna in the historical courses now prescribed in the schools. Mr Firth then said that the promised foundation of a Professorship of Colonial History offered a chance of making the school at once more scientifically complete and more practically useful.

Mr. Firth's lecture has been published by the University Press in a shilling pamphlet, with the title, "A Plea for the Historical Teaching of History." He holds the balance between the rival theories of literary and scientific history. The historian, he urges in collecting his evidence must observdd the methods of science; but in presenting the results he must pursue the method of art. Perhaps in the present condition of things it is too much to expect to find the two functions combined. The immediate business is the scientific business of research; we must be content to wait for the artist when the material shall have been educed and digested. Year by year, Mr Firth reminds us, the printed evidence increases, as new calendars of State Papers and Reports of the Historical MSS. Commission come out; but the bulk of the information remains unused. Besides this, there are great collections of written evidence in the Record Office and the British Museum which are practically unworked mines. It is for this preliminary work that the training of historical workers for which Mr Firth pleads, is essential. Training and research will not make Gibbons, but there can be no Gibbons in the future without this preliminary "spadework.

The "Daily Chronicle" made the most ingenious (if somewhat irrelevant) literary use of visit of the King of Portugal. It seized the occasion to remind its readers that it was from Portugal-street that the late Sir Walter Besant used to hurl his philippics against piratical publishers. The old offices of the Author's Society were, it will be remembered, in Portugal-street. Not that literature is a matter indifferent to the King of Portugal. He himself is a translator of Shakespeare. It may, however, confidently be trusted that his relations with his publishers are of a satisfactory character; while Shakespeare is the whole world's property, for every nation to translate if it can.

A TRAGEDY which strips Sicilian brigandage of everything but its most brutally repulsive aspect has just taken place in the district of Alcamo, not far from Palermo, where a boy of eleven years, named Grimando, the child of well-to-do parents, was carried off last week, and next day the parents, received a written intimation that unless £400 was paid over at a certain lonely spot by November 27, their son would be killed. From fears for the little victim's life, the police refrained from open action, but they quietly began an investigation which threw suspicion on three men, who were arrested and confessed to having flung the boy into a deep well, where his mangled body was found.

MR. DOOLEY ON SIEGES.

(BY F. P. DUNNE.)

"Thim poor la-ads in Port Arthur must be havin' a tur-ruble time," said Mr. Hennessy.

"Ye niver can tell," said Mrs. Dooley. "Iv coorse it looks as though they were. Ivry day or two whin Port Arthur hasn't fallen no more or is laid up fr'm th' last fall, I read in th' pa-apers that th' corryspondint iv th' London Fudge,' a highly unprejudiced observer or liar stationed at Chefoo has learned fr'm a Chinyman who has jus' arrived fr'm Pekin on a junk that th' conditions is something that wurruds canot describe. Says he: 'Th' conditions at Port Arthur baffle description an' stagger th' imagination; On'y fourteen iv th' original definders survive, an' they ar-re rayjooced to skeletons. They live in un'erground caves an' cook their boots on explodin' bombs dhropped in be th' Japanese. Las' week Gin'ral Blinko-vitch shot an' kilt Gin'ral Bajeeski in a quarrel over a bar iv soap which th' former was atin' f'r lunch. Gin'ral Stoessel has lost both arms, a leg an' th' right ear, but he is still cheerful, an' last night had fur overcoat cooked an' served at a dinner to th' officers iv th' Probijitenky rej'mint. He proposed a toast to th' Imp'ror in kerosene. Th' toast was subsiquintly devoured be th' famished garrison. None iv th' garrison sleep at night much, on account iv th' heejous roar iv th' Jap-nese shells, which are dhropped into th' town at th' rate iv wan millyon a day. Altogether th' condition iv Port Arthur is worse thin ye'er readers cud imagine, an' almost as bad as they cud hope. Th' Port Arthur "Daily Melojeen," th' an' on'y paper now published there, has a long kick in th' last issue about delinquent subscribers. It is headed "Meanin' You," an' goes on to say that th' editor an' his wife mus' live, that they have jus' moved into a new dug-out, an that if th' cash is not forthcomin' he will be obliged to minion names.'

"An' that's what I can't understand, Hinnissy. How is it, d'ye suppose, that if Port Arthur is so bad off they can have a daily paper? Th' man that runs it must be a gr-reat journalist. I wudden't like to give up me paper. It's all I have in life. But if I was as thin as an empty hen-coop an' had just devoured me las' collar, an' if I knew that I wudden't make aven a dacint muss if a Jap'nese shell hit me, but wud look like a pile iv loose lathes an' shavin's struck be a cyclone, d'ye suppose in thim circumstances I wud be polite to a man who come ar-round an' offered me an onyx clock an' a hatful iv thradin' stamps to subscribe to his pa-aper? An' think iv th' editor. What a job! He has aten a pair iv rubber boots an' washed it down with a pint iv ink, an' he has to go out an' collect th' news on his hands an' knees. Thin he has to write it up:—'Society jottings: Ourselves an' wife attinded a mos' joyyal gathering at Gin'ral Punspinkki's palatchal quarters in Bomproof A last night. Thsi jaynial gin'ral had provided a bountiful repast—a beautifully cooked war map which he had procured at great expinse. Th' Jap'nese advanced positions fell to our lot an' we put it away with gr-reat gusto, although, if anything, there was too much red ink on it. Our host was at his best an' th' mornin' was far advanced before we reeled home. Ivrybody agrees an injyable time was had. There is no war news, as th' London papers ar-re-onavoidably late an' our corryspondint is at th' front. Th' nex' time we sind a corryspondint out with a Rooshan army we'll sind him to th' rear, where he can get some news.'

"An' while he's gettin' th' pa-aper ready a Jap shell is lible to come through th' roof iv his office an' pi both him an' th' form so bad that nayther wan iv thim can be set up again.

"No, sir, if I ain't far out iv th' way, Port Arthur ain't sufferin' nearly as bad as I am 'bout it. It always th' same way. I've wept me last weep over th' sufferin' iv th' besieged, I shed manny tears on account iv th' poor Spanyards in Sandago, but whin th' American sojers got into th' town they were almost sullycated be th' smell iv garlic cookin' with omelettes. I raymimber how pained I was over th' disperate plight iv th' sojers an' diplomats at Peking, I rushed an army over there. They kilt Chinymen be th' thousands, an' in th' face iv incredible misstatements fought their way to th' dures iv th' palace where their starvin' brothers were imprisoned. What did they find? They found th' diplomats in their shirt sleeves fillin' packin' cases with th' underwear iv th' Chinese impror an' th' spoons iv th' Chinese Impress. Th' air was filled with cries iv 'Hinnery, won't ye set on this thrunk? I can't get th' lid down since ye put in that last tin kid.' Th' English ambassadure was thryin' on a good breakfast vest four thousand years old, th' French ambassaiure was crackin' up th' impror's libry, an' th' German embassy an' gallant officers iv th' Kaiser were in th' observatory pryin' off th' brass fittings iv th' tillyscopes.

"So I'll save me tears about Port Arthur till all th' rayturns are in. I'd like to get hold iv a copy iv th' Port Arthur Melojeen. I wondher where I cud subscribe to it. I'd bet ye'd find it cheerful. Yisterdah was univinful. Th' Japs threw a few shells before breakfast an' thin retired. This thing has got to stop. Fridah we had a dog injured. If anny occurs again we will appeal to th' authorities. Th' Eschemojensky band give a concert on th' public square an' manny iv th' townspeople turned out to hear it. John Smithinski was up before Judge Hoganenski on th' familyar charge. He was sentenced to twinty knouts or fifty days. Main shtreet is torn up again. How long will this condition last b fure th' people iv our fair city rise in their might against th' corruptionists at th' City Hall? Closin' quotations on th' Port Arthur board iv thrade: Caviar sixteen asked, fourteen bid; candles quiet an' unchanged, with a fair demand f'r light upland tallow.

"Sure, Hinnissy, it's always th' same way. Wan iv th' sthrangest things about life is that it will go on in onfav'rable circumstances an' go out whin t'verything is aisy. A man can live an' have a good time no matther what happens to him that don't kill him. I lived here durin' th' cholery. It didn't like it, but they was only wan other thing to do, an' I didn't care f'r that. If ye're livin' in a town that's bein' bombarded, ye don't like it at first, but afther awhile ye begin to accomydate ye'erslif to it, an' by an cy whin a shell dhrops near ye while ye're argyin' about th' tariff, ye step aside, an' if ye're still their afther th' smoke is cleared away ye raysume the argymint. Ye have to make new frinds, but so ye do in Chicago, a man iv me age loses more frinds in a year an' is inmore danger thin a definder iv Port Arthur at twinty-wan. Bustin' shells is on'y wan iv th' chances iv life, like pnoomony an' argyin' with a policman.

"Besides, I bet ye no garrison iver rayfused to surrinder whin it was starvin' onless it was afraid th' inimy wud shoot th' man with th' white flag. A garrison begins to think iv surrindherin' whin it can't get pie at ivry meal. Cut out wan iv its meals an' it begins to wondher what's the use iv fightin' a lot iv nice fellows. Rayjooce it more an' some iv th' sojers will say to th' gin'ral: 'If ye haven't got a sheet or a pillow-slip hand,f'r a flag, ye can use yuroshirts.' Ye may change th' dite to horse meat, but horse meat rayminds a European sojer iv what his mother used to call beef. But he's got to have enough. A hungry man won't fights except f'r food an' he'd follow a beefsteak twice as far as he wud th' flag iv anny impror or czar."

"Why don't that Gin'ral Stoessel surrindher, annyhow?" asked Mr. Hennessy.

"No wan has told him to. He's a German," said Mr. Dooley.—"Manchester Garrdian"

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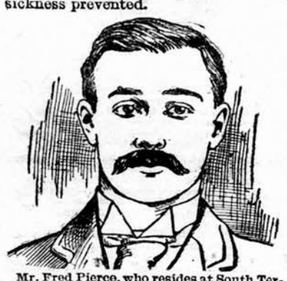

Mr. Fred Pierce, who resides at South Terrace, Adelaide, So. Australia, sends this letter with his photograph:

"For some years I have been a boundary rider on some of the far northern sheep and cattle stations. I had severe attacks of indigestion, and my blood would often get very impure. My skin would be covered with blotches, and my general health greatly affected. Whenever these attacks would come I would procure Ayer's Sarsaparilla and Ayer's Pills. I always found that the Sarsaparilla would quickly purify my blood and strengthen my digestion; while the pills would correct my constipation and biliousness."

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SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Dardania, 2265 tons, Captain G Seloletich, arrived in harbour yesterday from Trieste 30th November in ballast.

THE steamer Langdale, 2293 tons, Captain C J Kelley, sailed yesterday for Hull, with a general cargo and Mr W Magu as a passenger.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Madura, 1373 tons, Captain H M Cuthbush, will sail to-day for the Persian Gulf via Karachi with a general cargo, 7 cabin and 120 deck passengers.

THE Austrian Lloyd's S N Co's steamer Persia, 3779 tons, Captain P Craglietto, arrived in harbour yesterday from Trieste 29th November, via Karachi, with a general cargo and 98 horses.

THE following passengers arrived here by the Austrian Lloyd's s s Persia, Captain P Craglietto from Trieste yesterday morning:—Mr Bauer, Mr Cerwenka, Captain and Mrs Cates, Mrs Cardew, Mr and Mrs Lekish, Mr Pritchard, Mr and Mrs Streatfield, nurse and infant, Mr Velissaratos, Mr Wazirali.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—DEC. 21.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
India	2391	Forbes			M M & Co
Africa	1902		Carey		M M & Co
Chusan	2852	Kerrick	China	23-12	P & O S N Co
Balundas	1607	Kilpatrick			M M & Co
Madura	1272	Cuthbush			M M & Co
Terrier	1008	Wilson	J F		Campbell & Co
Auchencraig	2513	Reed			Bombay Co
Baron Balfour	3582	Bridges			W & A Graham & Co
Scottish Monarch	2743	Patey			F Muir & Co
Caledonia	2529	Toque	Aden		P & O S N Co
Arroyo	2307	Plough			A Yule
Eden (bque)	414	Souton			The Captain
Kalsata	595	Chappell			M M & Co
Baron Innerdale	2130		Crackul		W & A Graham & Co
Okara	3439	Fenwick			M M & Co
Dardania	2265		Seloletich		

VESSELS IN DOCKS.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

A	City of Lucknow	1370	Miller	Karachi	24-12 K Nixon
C	Clan Campbell	1632	Simpson	Madras	21-12
D & E	Alston	6372	Thomas & Co	Leith	Ralli Bros
F	Pasha	3426	Lephoich	Kobe	27-12 J Moris & Co
G	Seconder	1073	Brobuer	Mauritius	26-12 H S Sideek
H	Laura	2041	Carse	Genoa	31-12 W and A G & Co
K	Ujina	3426	Honeywood	Rangoon	27-12 M M & Co
K	Ashruf	2203	Newby	Red Sea Ports	24-12 H C Jocsub
L	Kaveri	524	Mahomed	Repairing	Shepherd & Co
M	Islami	1601	Hughes	R S P	26-12 B & P S N Co

Alongside.

K	Nowshera	1961	Dewing	Zanzibar	26-12 M M & Co
O	Luristan	2173	Simpson	E Latham & Co	
P	Landaura	2157	Farquharson		M M & Co
Q	Abmadi	1140	Hansent	Red Sea Ports	24-12 B&P S N&Co

P. DOCK H. WALL.

Punani	552	Mahomed	B Nagar	24-12	Shepherd & Co

M. DRY DOCK.

Mahanadi	547	Hoosein	Manglore	23-12	Shepherd & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destinations.	Date.	Agent.
1	Australia	2202	Tait	L'pool	20-12	W & A G & Co
2	Olympia	3269	Osbern	Liverpool	30-12	W & A G & Co
3	Okhla	3236	Bobu	Calcutta		M M & Co
4	Wensleydale		Oharp	London	27-12	M M & Co
5	Mazagon	3280	(in)	China	24-12	P & O S N Co
7	Imperatrix		Gherro	Trieste	11-05	A L S N Co
8	Langdale	2293	Kelly	Hull	21-12	K Nixon
10 & 11	Simla	3548	Summers	China	26-12	P & O Co
12	Persia	4193	Hinton	London	24-12	P & O Co
15	Ellenia	2736	Soopmich			Lloyd's S N & Co
16	Ethelwynne	2065	Drake	Hull	22-12	T Morrison & Co

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
21	Dardania s	Seloletich	Trieste, Nov 30
21	Persia s	Craglietto	Trieste, Nov 29

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessel	Commander.	Destination.
21	Jumna s	Stewart	Calcutta
21	Henzada s	MacLean	Persian Gulf
21	Langdale s	Kelley	Hull

The steamer Madura, Captain Cuthbush, obtained her port clearance yesterday for Persian Gulf.

The following vessels entered for loading yesterday:—
Steamer Dardania for Liverpool &c
" Clan Campbell, for Liverpool &c
" Scottish Monarch for Liverpool &c

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessel.	From
15	Bullmouth	Batoum
16	Coocoanna	Melbourne
18	Clan Matheson	Galle
18	Golconda	Calcutta
18	Muttra	London
19	Lochus	Melbourne

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The Clan Line s s Clan Murray arrived in London on the afternoon of the 19th instant.

The P and O S N Co's s s Rewa left Marseilles homewards on the evening of the 19th instant.

DAILY EXPORTS.—DECEMBER 21.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Olympia s—152 bales wool C Naujee; 3000 cwts wheat 3000 cwts mowrassed 27410 cwts cotton seed Ralli Brothers; 91 bales wool the Bombay Co; 86 bales wool J Karra

FOR LONDON.

Persia s—11 1-2 cwts ivory K N Miani; 20 cwts wax D Vallibhoy and Co; 1 1-2 cwts ivory H Rowjee; 133 bales hides and skins W and A Graham and Co; 27 bales hemp F Khoosbund; 26 bales hides and skins Ewart Latham and Co

FOR HULL.

Ethelwynne s—10000 cwts cottonseed Tata and Co; 4030 cwts myrabollams and 1000 cwts cotton seed Wagjee Becher

FOR LEITH.

Albion s—5804 cwts cottonseed Ralli Brothers

FOR MARSEILLES

Olympia s—7500 cwts gingelly seed John Fachiri; 1344 cwts mowrassed 21000 cwts wheat 4093 cwts teelseed and 3000 cwts poppyseed Ralli Brothers

FOR ANTWERP.

Wensleydale s—110 bales cotton E Spinner and Co

FOR TRIESTE.

Imperatrix s—220 bales cotton E Spinner and Co; 330 bales cotton G Tejpal and Co; 1155 bales cotton and 1001 cwts linseed A Blaecheck and Co

Ellenia s—4002 cwts gingelly seed John Fachiri; 201 cwts myrabollams Hugo Senfver and Co; 2000 cwts gingelly seed Ernst Lam and Co; 5993 cwts teelseed Ralli Bros; 1000 cwts linseed Volkart Bros

FOR GENOA.

Laura s—150 bales cotton Bamjee and Co; 100 bales cotton S B and Alexander; 2000 cwts rapeseed Killick Nixon and Co; 50 tons oildrcn E Tajbhoy

FOR VENICE.

Imperatrix s—500 bales cotton A Blaecheck and Co; 150 bales hemp Kiddle Reeve and Co

Ellenia s—1000 cwts castorseed Ralli Bros

FOR HAMBURG.

Dardania s—4000 cwts wheat W and A Graham and Co; 4218 cwts wheat 999 cwts linseed 5499 cwts rapeseed E D Sassoon and Co; 8760 cwts castorseed 4000 cwts mowrassed 6628 cwts linseed 18996 cwts teelseed Ralli Brothers; 7000 cwts wheat 200 cwts fenugree 2000 cwts rapeseed Volkart Bros.

FOR SHANGHAI.

Simla s—950 bales twist David Sassoon and Co; 53 bales piecegoods E S N Talati and Co; 1000 bales gunnybags J Valley and Co; 25 bales twist G Bhawanidas; 300 bales twist J David; 366 bales twist E D Sassoon and Co; 300 bales twist David Sassoon and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Simla s—2200 bales twist David Sassoon; 47 bales twist C Bamonjee and Co; 30s bales twist C Ebrahim and Co; 600 bales twist E D Sassoon and Co; 125 bales twist Tata and Co; 209 chests opium P and O Co.

FOR KOBE.

Mazagon s—880 bales cotton Ralli Brothers; 80 bales cotton Dinshaw D Curranee and Co

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Bombay, December 22.

No 2 Company—Will parade to-day (Thursday) at 9 p m at Colaba North Fort 6" Br Gun Drill.

By Order
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Adjt. B. V. A

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. K. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, December 22

1 There will be drill for Recruits to-day Thursday the 22nd instant at Head-Quarters at 6 p m.

2 The 113th Bombay Infantry Rifle Range at Santa Cruz will be available daily for Class-Firing daily until further orders. The Commanding Officer trusts that members will take advantage of this, and that Section Commanders will get their Sections out to the Range so that their Sections may complete their Class-Firing as soon as possible, and the Range may be reserved for practice for the Rifle meeting.

3 There will be drill for "F" Company at St Mary's College Byculla at 3-15 p m on Friday the 23rd instant and not to-day's (Thursday) as previously notified.

Dress—Plain clothes Rifles and Side Arms

4 The Head-Quarders Office will be closed from the 25th to 27th instant inclusive for the Christmas Holidays.

5 The following members having joined are taken on the strength of the Corps from this date and posted to "A" Company:—No 5898 Vol R H Fido and No 5899 Vol E Ingle.

6 Leave of absence has been granted to No 4665 Vol J A Smith "D" Company from 21st December 1904 to 31st March 1905.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant, B. V. R.

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PROOF.

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	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.	
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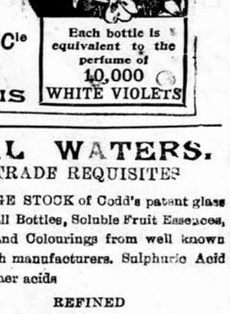

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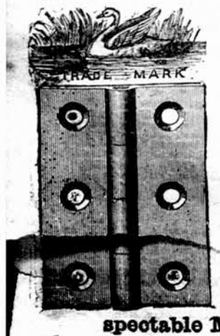

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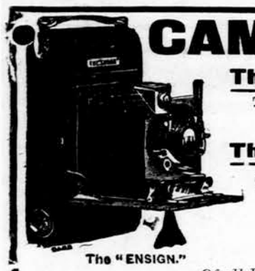
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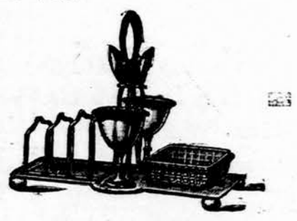
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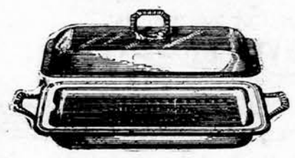
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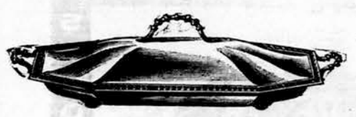
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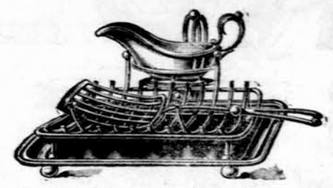
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